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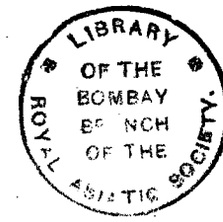

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RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

DIARY AND CONSULTATION BOOK

OF

1728

(VOL No. 58.)

[*From January 2 to December 20.*]

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1727-28*——

The Consultation and Diary Book of James Macrae Esq^r^. President & Gov^r^. &c^t^. Council their Proceedings and Transactions in the Affairs of the Hon^ble^. United Comp^y^. of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the Presidency of the Coast of Coromandel &c^t^. Begun the 2^d^. day of January 1727.

Receiv'd by Peons a General Letter from Maddapollam dated 20^th^. Ultimo. [JANUARY] 2D.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. GOV^R^ : PRESIDENT. THURSDAY 4TH.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQ^R^.
JOHN ROACH. RANDALL FOWKE.
SAMUEL HYDE. AUGUSTUS BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS. NICHOLAS MORSE.

Land Custo^r^. pay's in Novembers ballance. Samuel Hyde Land Customer, pays into cash Two hundred seventy two pagodas, three fanams seventy eight Cash, 272-3-78 ballance of his Account for November.

Ps. 3000 advan'd Paymaster. The Paymaster requesting money to defray charges of Garrison, ORDER'D to advance him three thousand 3000 Pagodas, for that & the other expences of the month.

Storekeepers Acco^t^. for December read. Samuel Hyde Storekeeper reads that Acco^t^. for last month ballance due from him one hundred Seventy Six pagodas, ten fanams & forty five Cash 176. 10. 45 which is Carried to next months Acco^t^.

Journal parcels for November read. The Accomptant produces & reads the Journal parcels for November.

20 new tarpaulins to be made. The Warehousekeeper representing to the board that several of the Old tarpaulins are worn out ORDER'D that twenty new ones be made.

Serj^t^. Rend discharg'd from the Military. Petition from John Rend Serjeant, setting forth that he hath serv'd the Company several years but hath now lost the use of his Limbs, & is thereby render'd incapable of any further duty & therefore requesting his discharge, Read & Granted.

Bills of Exchange signed. Bills of Exchange on the Hon^ble^. Court of Directors, of this days date, Sign'd, payable at eight 8 Shillings ℔ Pagoda & two months sight to the order of M^rs^. Grace Orrill one hundred & Sixty 160 pounds Sterling in full for Four hundred 400 pagodas rec'd here of M^r^. Charles Peers.

Gen^ll^. Letters read. General Letters read Viz^t^.

from Fort St. David three. N°. 99, 101, & 103 from the Deputy Gov^r^. & Council of Fort S^t^. David, the first dated the 16^th^. December, enclosing Invoice & bill of Lading for Cloth & timber on the Margaret Ann, the next dated 18^th^. advising the receipt of ten thousand

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Pagoda's sent them overland, the other of the 29th. gives an Acco^{t}. that Mustapha alias John Baptiste who ran away from Bengal on the French Ships, was gone to Porto Novo from Pondichery but that he was not to be heard of there—they also desire us to send down some of our Northern boats to supply Fort S^{t}. David with Grain.

from Bombay one.

N°. 98 dated 28th. October, from the President & Council of Bombay—the Chief purport of which is to advise that they have appointed a Resident at Bussorah & thought fitt to order a half ℔ Cent to be paid him over & above the Company's Consulage, which they desire us to acquiesce in.

from Bengal three.

N°. 96, 97, & 105 from the President & Council of Fort William, dated 1st. December, 5th. & 11th. D°. the first inquiring after one John Baptiste alias Mustapha, the next enclosing invoices & bills of Lading &c^{t}. relating to the Cargoes of the Sarum & Prince Willaim & a price Currant of Metals & broadcloth & advising of their having freighted the Walpole to Judda—the last relating to the Creditors of Cap^{t}. James Hurdis, & the money attach'd in our Court

from Vizagapatam four and one from M^{r}. Simpson at Ingeram to the Chief & Council there.

N°. 91, 94, 100, 102 from the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam dated 12th. November, 1st. 7th. & 24th. December; the first advising M^{r}. Blunts death, & that they had sent M^{r}. Simpson thither to look after his Affairs, the second enclosing Copy of a Letter from M^{r}. Simpson about M^{r}. Blunts Affairs & advising that they had sent Mussoola's to bring the Ingeram bales—the said letter of M^{r}. Simpsons N°. 95 advises that M^{r}. Blunt left no Cash, that his Chief Merch^{t}. was run away, that there are ninety three corge, nineteen peices of cloth at the Washers, & that M^{r}. Blunt has several debts among the Country People—the next Vizagapatam Letter is intirely about M^{r}. Blunts Affairs, & gives an Acco^{t}. that they had put Peons aboard of a Moor Ship to bring her up hither, in order to secure a debt of the Nocodahs to M^{r}. Blunt who had requested of them so to do, because he was not able to pay without selling his Cargo to great loss in that Country—the other incloses Invoice & bill of lading for two hundred & Sixty three bales of Calicoes on board of the Prince William.

from Madapollam two.

N°. 93, & 104 from M^{r}. Sanderson at Madapollam dated 23^{d}. November & 20th. December—the first advises of trouble in the Country, the other that he hopes to come away by the 4th. or 5th. January with upwards of fifty bales.

from Ingeram one.

N°. 92 from M^{r}. Simpson at Ingeram dated 19th. November advising his Arrival there, that M^{r}. Blunt left no money behind him & that there are ninety four Corge of ordinary Longcloth at the Washers.

JAMES MACRAE.
GEO: M: PITT.
JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE.
SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}

PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}. &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF JOHN REND SERJEANT,

SHEWETH,

that your Petitioner hath serv'd the Hon^{ble}. Company in the Military near fifteen years, but having for some time past lost the use of his Limbs, which renders him uncapable of performing his duty and finding no relief to be had in this part of the World, he humbly begs Your Honour &c^{t}. will please to grant him his discharge, that he may return to England on this Shipping where he is in great hopes he may recover his Limbs again.

And as in duty bound he shall ever pray.

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Arriv'd Ship London Cap^{t}. Rob^{t}: Bootle last from Vizagapatam with M^{r}. Symmonds, who brought a General Letter dated the 31st. ultimo. 5

Receivd by Tappies a Gen^{ll}. Letter from Fort S^{t} David dated the 6th. 6

Arriv'd Sloop London Basil Hamilton Master from Bengal. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}. PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR. MONDAY 8TH.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQ^{R}.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

General Letters read Viz^{t}. Gen^{ll}. letters read.

N^{o}. 1 from the Provisional Chief & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 4th. Instant accompanying another Letter in Answer to the several paragraphs of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Letters this Year, relating to that Settlement, which is also read & enter'd in the Letter book No. 2. from Fort St. David.

N^{o}. 3 from Robert Symmonds Esq^{r}. Chief &c^{t}. Council of Vizagapatam dated the 31st. ultimo enclosing Invoice & bill of Lading for two hundred thirty Seven bales on board the London, and accompanying their Cash Acco^{ts}. Consultations, & Paymasters Acco^{ts}. from Vizagapatam.

M^{r}. Symmonds being arrivd from Vizagapatam, this day took his place at the board & enter'd upon the Accomptants Employ, that of Warehousekeeper M^{r}. Fowke continues in to the end of this month. M^{r}. Symmonds takes his place at the board and enters upon the Accompt^{s}. employ.

ORDER'D that the three Europe Ships, Prince William, Sarum, & London be dispatch'd the 20th. Dispatch of the Europe ships fix'd.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}. Land Customers Accot. for December read.

Choultry Customs	314	7	9
Ruby Brokerage	13	16	38
Registering Slaves	2	—	—
	329	23	47

ballance due from him, three hundred & eighteen Pagoda's one fanā & forty Seven Cash, 318. 1. 47 which is carried to next months Acco^{t}.

Augustus Burton Import Warehousekeeper reads that Acco^{t}. for last month— ballance due from him three thousand, four hundred & seven pagodas twenty two fanams, & Sixty one Cash, 3407. 22. 61 of. which he pay's three thousand 3000 Pagoda's. Impt. Ware-hous^{rs}. Accot for Dec^{r}. read & money paid in.

The President reads the Acco^{t}. of the Hon^{ble}. Comp^{as}. Cash for last month ballance remaining three hundred fifty one thousand three hundred ninety seven Pagoda's Seventeen fanams, & fifty four Cash ; which is carried forward 351397. 17. 54. Cash Accot. for December read.

Nicholas Morse Provisional Accomptant produces the Journal for the present year, posted up to the first of December, which with the Ledger is delivered to M^{r}. Symmonds, the Present Accomptant.

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General books to go home sign'd.

he also produces.

Journal & Ledger Letter A A Commencing 1st. May 1726 & Ending last of April 1727 and

Duplicate Journal & Ledger Letter Z commencing 1st. May 1725 & ending the last of April 1726

which are sign'd & deliver'd the Secry. to be sent home in the Packett.

Mr. Vezian dismiss'd the Service.

The President reports to the board that the tryal of Mr. Peter Vezian for the Murther of Mr. John Packer came on, on Saturday the 6th. Inst. & that the said Peter Vezian was acquitted of the murther, but that however his Conduct has been in so many Instances notoriously bad, that it is thought fitt to dismiss him the Honble. Compys. Service.

Order'd home on the London.

ORDER'D that he do go home on the London & that the Capt. be serv'd with an order to take him on board, as one of his Charter party passengers.

Resolutions about bringing to Accot. the Extraordinary Expence Accot. Mr. Packer Murther.

AGREED to write a Letter to Fort St. David for an Exact Accot. of the Expences they have been at in this Affair, & that the Charges there & here be plac'd to Charges Extraordinary except the hundred Pagoda's given for the discovery of the Murther, which shall be clear'd by the town Conicoply's duty, that being an Accidental Charge in order to find out the Murtherers who were got out of our power, & may not happen again to be necessary, whereas the other disbursements will be unavoidable whenever any person is obligd to be brought to tryal.

An Accot. of Mr. Packers funeral charges & his Outcry Order'd up from Fort St. David.

AGREED also to order the Chief & Council of Fort St. David to send us up an Accot. of the Charges of Mr. Packers funeral, his Outcry Accot. &c. & to Accot. with this Presidency for the ballance.

JAMES MACRAE.
GEO. M: PITT.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
JOHN ROACH.
RANDLL: FOWKE.
SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.
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8 Sent by Tappies a General Letter to Fort St. David.
10 Rec'd. by Tappies a Genll. Letter from Fort St. David dated 8th.
— Arriv'd Ship Sarum Capt. John Irving from Bengal.
12 Rec'd by Tappies a Genll. Letter from Fort St. David dated 10th.
13 Rec'd by Tappies another dated 11th.
14 Arriv'd Brigantine Goodhope with Mr. Sanderson from Metchepatam who brot. a Genll. Letter dated 2d. Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 15TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR, PRESIDENT
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQR.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSIUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

A report of Mr. Blunt's conduct & his Accot. Currt. wth. the Compys. ballce. due from him Ps. 3300.

Mr. Symonds delivers in to the board a report relating to the deceas'd Mr. Blunts Conduct & Affairs at Ingeram, which is enter'd After this Consultation, as also the Accot. Currt. of the Ingeram Settlement, whereby it appears that Mr. Blunt has applied to his own use about three thousand, three hundred Pagodas of the Company's money.

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Mr. Symmonds delivers in at the same time an Inventory of Mr. Blunts Effects at Ingeram & Vizagapatam & a list of debts due to him from the Country People, which is also enter'd hereafter. An Inventory of his Effects & debts due to him deliver'd in.

AGREED that we do dispatch Peons to Ingeram & Vizagapatam with orders to send away the Ship & Brigantine with all Mr. Blunts effects & Consign them to us, in order for the better securing his debt to our Honble. Masters. his two Vessels together wth. his Effects order'd up to Madrass.

The Accomptant delivers to the board a State of the Revenues & Expences of the Coast for the year commencing primo May 1726 & ending ultimo April 1727 by which it appears that the Expences of the whole Coast are increasd five hundred, twenty eight Pagoda's, thirteen fanams & fifty Seven Cash 528. 13. 57 & that the Revenues are increasd two thousand & Seventy four Pagodas, twenty one fanams & twenty eight Cash 2074. 21. 28. The said report is enter'd after this Consultation. Accomptants report for the year ending May 1727 deliver'd in.

Petitions from Messr. John Emmerson & Aaron Franks, desiring permission of passage to Europe, the first on the Prince William, the other on the Sarum, Read & Granted. Petitions from Messrs. Emmerson & Franks to go home.

The Paymaster delivers to the board the Accot. of the Charges building the Silver Mint amounting to thirteen hundred fifty eight Pagodas, thirty five fanams, & thirty Cash 1358. 35. 30, repairing the Gunners two Godowns at Charles Point amoting. to Seventy five Pagodas & ten fanams 75. 10. & of the making a Wall along Queens Point battery for securing the main Wall, Amoting. to one hundred eighty six Pagodas, thirty fanams & five Cash 186. 30. 5 All three are entered after this Consultation. An Accot. of sundry repairs & buildings deliver'd in by the Paymaster.

Randall Fowke Export Warehousekeeper, reads that Accot. for December, ballance due from him one hundred fifty eight Pagodas, nineteen fanams, & thirty six Cash 158. 19. 36 which is carried forward. Export Warehouse Accot. for December read.

John Roach Paymaster, reads that Accot. for last month Vizt. Paymasters Accot. for December read

Charges Garison	1354	10	20
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges extraordinary	2	—	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Silver Mint	17	5	—
Charges General	456	27	65
Charges Hospitals	40	10	—
Sorting Godown Screws	71	14	15
Repairs of Fortifications	180	3	65
Fort St. David	15	18	—
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Pags.	2812	17	5

and

ballance due to him eight hundred & twelve pagodas, Seventeen fanams & five Cash 812. 17. 5 wch. is order'd to be paid him. the Extrary. Expence inquired into.

The extraordinary expence is found to arise as follows Vizt.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.					
Diet to one Prisoner	1	—	—		
Christning a Soldiers Child	1	—	—		
				2	— —
SILVER MINT building a Cookroom & necessary house, &ct.					
Workmen 7. 21. 40 materials 9. 19. 40.				17	5 —
SORTING GODOWN SCREWS					
workmen making banksall &c.	30	13	60		
Iron Steel & Sea Coal	41	—	35		
				71	14 15

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Fort St. David.			
Mr. Vezians diet money	8 — —		
Wages to three Europe Centinels	7 18 —		
		15	18 —
Bombay Presidency.			
Allowance money to the Widow Burton and her Children		25	— —
	Pags.	131	1 15

Papers to go home signed.

Augustus Burton Import Warehousekeeper produces duplicate & triplicate Lists of demands for broadcloth for the Merchts. which are sign'd in order to be sent home in the Packetts he also produces two Accots. remains in that Warehouse & Accot. sales of Remnants at Outcry sign'd by himself & Lists of demands for Wares for Sale & Use, which are now sign'd.

Sea Customers Accot. for December read.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that Accot. for December Vizt.

Custom on Goods imported	313	24	4
Do. on Grain	198	—	64
Anchorage	2	—	—
	513	24	68

Town Conicoply's duty collected at the Sea Gate paid in.

ballance due from him which he now pays in two thousand, two hundred & Seventeen Pagodas, nine fanams & Sixteen Cash 2217. 9. 16--he also pays into Cash three hundred eighty four Pagodas nineteen fanams & fifty five Cash 384. 19. 55 in full for the Town Conicoply's duty collected at the Sea Gate as ℔ Accot. particulars enter'd after this Consultation.

Genll. Letters read.

General Letters read Vizt.

from Fort St. David three

No. 4, 5 & 6 from the Provisional Chief & Council of Fort St. David dated the 8th. 10th, & 11th. January 1727/8 the first enclosing Invoice & bill of Lading for bales on the Rama & advising of two French Gentlemen that fled thither from Pondichery & claim'd protection, the next accompanying two Copies of their Paymasters Accots. & Consultation, also duplicates of papers for Europe & Indent for Wares & Stores, the last enclosing an Accot. of the Expence they have been at in the Affair of Mr. Packer, which is enter'd after the Letter in the Copy book.

from Madapollam one.

No. 7 from Mr. Sanderson at Maddapollam, to accompany Invoice & bill of Lading for fifty Six bales on board the Good hope.

Mint Accot. for December read.

The President reads the Mint Accot. for last month ballance due from him, eight thousand, nine hundred & four rupees & nine Annaes 8904. 9 which are Carried to next months Accot. & one hundred twenty two pagodas four fanams, & Seventy five Cash 122. 4. 75 which is now paid in.

Indent for Stores from Europe sign'd.

The Storekeepers produces two indents for Stores for Sale & Use from Europe, for the Year 1729 which are sign'd.

Betle rent for last month pd. in

Poncala Kistnah & Com Chittee Tobacco & Betle Renters pay into Cash eight hundred thirty three pagoda's twelve fanams, for last months rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

Arrack farm rent for last mo. paid in.

Poncala Kistnah farmer of the Arrack & Wine License pays into Cash three hundred, thirty five 335 pagodas for one months rent of that farm, due the 5th. Instant.

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Bills of Exchange Sign'd, dated this day payable by the Hon^ble. Court of Directors at two months sight & 8 Shillings ℔ Pagoda Viz^t. Bills of Exchange sign'd.

				Pag^s;		
1, 2 & 3 to the Order of John Raworth Esq^r. value of Major John Roach	£ 1600	—	—	4000	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the order of M^rs. Martha Goulding value of M^r. John Goulding	40	—	—	100	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the Order of M^r. John Emmerson value of himself	1000	—	—	2500	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the Order of M^r. Francis Hugonin value of M^r. David Murray	50	—	—	125	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the Order of M^r. John Farquarson value of M^r. John Lauder	297	13	1½	744	5	9
1, 2 & 3 to the Order of M^r. Charles Hunter value of himself	520	—	—	1300	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the Order of M^r. Thomas Morrison value of M^r. John Lauder	297	13	1½	744	5	9
1, 2 & 3 to the Order of M^r. Robert Norman value of M^r. Thomas Norman	140	—	—	350	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the Order of M^r. Thomas Woolly value of James Macrae Esq^r.	159	12	—	399	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the Order of Cap^t. William Manson Value of James Macrae Esq^r. ..	898	15	4	2246	33	—
	£ 5003	13	7	P. 12509	7	18

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To THE HON^BLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^T. COUNCIL.

HON^BLE. S^R. & S^RS.

Having in last Consultation rec'd a verbal order from the board to lay before them a State of the Ingeram Affairs & the deceas'd M^r. Blunt's Acco^ts. w^th. the Hon^ble. Company, I shall endeavour to do it from such papers & memorandums as were found in the Companys factory by M^r. Charles Simpson upon his arrival there— Which being of an extraordinary nature I thought it absolutely necessary to bring them with me to show how little regard that Unhappy Gentleman had to his Masters or his own Affairs & vindicate those persons who may be order'd to settle his Acco^ts. with the Hon^ble. Comp^y. from any Aspersions which are too often cast upon Gentlemen abroad by the relations of deceas'd persons, who are sometimes led into Mistakes of their wealth by their Children with a Sinister design to impose upon them & sometimes other people.

his Acco^t. Curr^t. stated as near as we could conjecture for it was impossible we could do more I sent enclos'd in our Generall Letter from Vizagapatam by the London by which it appears that there is wanting in the Company's cash three thousand three hundred pagodas, twenty eight fanams & thirteen Cash.

I now produce a Copy of the Acco^t. of his Effects taken by M^r. Charles Simpson & Attested by one Robert Watson & Henry Blunt with a list of debts due to him, drawn from some Cadjans & notes found in his Escritoire & from the Information of the Companys Braminy there, some of which are secur'd & the other most of them,

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will probably be recover'd, being in tolerable good hands. What the board will please to order shall be done with his Goods & Chattels, I refer to your Consideration & am

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.
Your most Obedient Humble Servant.
ROBERT SYMONDS.

FORT ST. GEORGE
JANUARY 1727

INGERAM RESIDENCY.

Dr.					Cr.			
1727								
May 1	To ballance brot from. last books for Cash.	1721	16	70	May 31	By Sundry Accot. for Factory. Expences. ..	115	17 3
	To Do. Accot. Callicoes said to be there ..	3899	8	48	June 30	By Do. Do. ..	60	33 —
31	To Cash sent thither.	2000	—	—	July 31	By Do. Do. ..	76	4 28
	To Accot. Currt. Fort St. George for so much pd. back Accot. Salary & Diet ..	111	4	—	Augst. 31	By Do. Do. ..	49	12 12
						By the Amot. of an Invoice of broad Cloth, sent overland ..	1378	15 38
July 31	To Cash sent thither	2000	—	—	Septber. 30	By Sundry Accots. ..	85	7 40
October. 31	To Do. Do. ..	1000	—	—	—	By Sundry Accots. for Octber. & Novembr. expences	100	— —
					Decber. 31	By Amot. of Calicoes rec'd from Ingeram, & laden upon Ship London	5565	19 64
						Pags.	7431	1 25
						By ballance	3300	28 13
	Pags.	10731	29	38		Pags.	10731	29 38

Errors Excepted.
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INVENTORY OF THE EFFECTS OF Mr. JOHN BLUNT DECEAS'D, TAKEN BY CHARLES SIMPSON, INGERAM DECEMBER 1727

IN THE FIRST DRAWER

CASH found in his Scritoire 21¾ rupees & 124 pagoda's.
2 Gold Watches.
1 Gold Seal & 1 Silver seal.
1 pair of Gold buckles.
1 pair of Silver gilt do.
1 Emmerald ring.
1 Stone Seal.
1 pair of Silver garter buckles.
1 ring with Elephants hair.
1 Do. Tomback.
1 pair of Sleeve buttons.
1 Tweezer case & memorandum book.
2 Silver Cuspidores.
24 gold buttons & a Silver Chain.
2 Gold headed Canes.
2 Silver Salvers.
1 Silver Tankard.
1 Small Silver Mug.
7 Silver Spoons.
1 Do. for Tea.

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1 Case with 12 Silver Spoons & 12 Knives & forks tipp'd with Silver
13 horse tossells.
14 Silver buttons.
1 Silver betleplate (the Company's).
1 Silver rosewater water bottle (the Compa^{nys}.)
A Silver handle for a fan.
2 Guglets with Silver.
2 Silver hilted Swords.
1 pair Silver Spurs.
1 Moor Dagger.

IN THE SECOND DRAWER.

1 Remnant of Chints.
1 P^{s}. & 1 remnant of D^{o}.
1 P^{s}. of Bengal taffaty w^{te}.
1 P^{s}. of double thread betilla's.
2 P^{s}. of Single thread betilla's w^{te}
1 P^{s}. of Bengal Stuff 1 p^{s}. of issarees w^{te}.
1 P^{s}. of Salampores.
1 P^{s}. of handkerchief Pullicatt.
1 Remnant of taffaty.
1 Silk Sash 2 Small looking glasses.
2 P^{s}. of brown betilla's 1 Velve't Cap.
2 P^{s}. of Metchlepatam handkerchiefs.
3 Remnants of Chints.
16 Gold Strip'd handkerchiefs.

3RD DRAWER.

2 P^{s}. of Madrass Gingham.
13 Moor Coats.
11 Turbands.
10 Sashes.
3 P . of flower'd Cutanees.
11 Pair of drawers of Sundry sorts.

IN THE FOURTH DRAWER.

1 Silver Sword knot.
1 bag q^{t}. Sundry trifles.
2 Pair of Embroider'd Slippers.
1 Pair of Gingham Sheets.
1 Salampore.
11 White Wastcoats.

IN THE FOURTH DRAWER.

1 brass lock.
40 Pillow Cases.
13 handkerchiefs.
18 Shirts & 20 Caps.
24 Turnovers & 8 Stocks.
11 pair of white Stockings.
3 pair of Drawers.
1 redcloth Wastcoat.
1 pair of brass Scales.
4 Rasors, hoan, & Strop.
2 Pair of Pistols.

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IN THE LARGE CHEST.

1 Parcel of Gloves.
9 Coats & 5 Wastcoats.
11 pair of breeches.
1 remnant of Grogram.
2 Silver Lyons for a Palanquin bamboo.
1 Velvet Cap.
9 Valences for a Cott.
10 pair of Silk Stockings.
5 Silver tossels for a Palanquin.
11 Banian Coats.
3 Palanquin Pillow Cases.
2 Remnants of Brampore Chints.
1 Escritoire.
3 P^{s}. of blue betillas & one peice of red.
3 hats & 1 bag empty.
3 P^{s}. Sail Cloth.
4 P^{s}. Sandal Wood.
Curtains for a Cott.
1 remnant of Colour'd betilla's.
1 brass mounted Sword & 2 Sword blades.
2 Silver hilted Swords.
1 Catty tea, & 2 Sword belts.
2 bandeja's, some Old gold buttons.
1 pair of holsters, 1 remnant of gold thread.
Tossels for a Palanquin.
1 Sadle & furniture.
2 hangers.
1 bulker for a Palanquin.
Some Old brass.
2 Small pillows.
1 Salampore.
1 Clock.
1 Quilt & Curtains.
1 Telescope, 2 Pillows.

IN THE EUROPE CHEST.

5 Elbow & 22 other Chairs.
1 Couch & 3 round tables.
1 Close Stool.
1 Palanquin with Silver.
1 Standing Escritoire.
1 China Screen.
1 Old Book press.
1 Bamboo Screen.
3 Cotton Carpets.
1 D°.
Palanquin flags.
Covers of red cloth for Palanquin bedding.
1 Pillow.
1 quiver & Arrows.

[IN THE GODOWNS].

1 China Scritoire q^{t}. 18 bottles of bitters & 7 bottles of hungary Water.
1 little box with empty bottles.

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1 Little box with Wine glasses &c^{t}.
1 baskett of China Ware.
4 P^{s}. of Iron.
2 Empty dram Cases.
2 large glasses for lamps.
2 D^{o}. for Candles.
1 box with some Pipes.
4 P^{s}. of Sandal Wood.
10 Small Iron Guns, 1 P^{s}. of Lead.
3 glass lanthorns, 1 basket of Shoes.
1 Jarr of Sugar candy.
1$\frac{3}{4}$ D^{o}. of Sugar.
2 Small Jarrs of Sweetmeats.
Some Empty Jarrs &c^{t}.
4 Cotts 2 Stools.
3 strip's Colours.
1 Tent, Marquee & Tent Walls.
5 Bengal Matts.
Boatsail.
2 Roundells.
Palanquin bedding & Pingeree.
1 Small bundle of Bengal Candles.
Iron Auning for a boat.
One old Iron Saw.
2 large Looking glasses.
1 paper press.
1 Wigbox q^{t}. 3 Wigs.
1 brass dutie.
10 brass dish Covers.
5 Candlesticks & 1 p^{r}. of Snuffers.
6 Piepans, 3 Copper Potts.
1 Frying Pan.
3 brass lamps for the Ship.
1 Library of books.
2 travelling box's.
1 Small Chest.
1 Cash Chest.
1 Physick box.
3 Small dram Cases, 1 with w^{te}. flint bottles.
2 boxes to carry liquors &c^{t}.
2 painted boxes.
1 hand Scritoire.
1 old Palanquin & bamboo.
1 Pinnace & Oars.
1 Teak timber & 72 Spars.
2 horses.
19 Geese.
32 Ducks.
8 Turkey's.
17 hogs & pigs.
65 goats & kids.
44 Cows, Calves, & Oxen.
6 Guns pze.

IN THE GARDEN GODOWN.

	Cor. P^{s}.
3 bales Longcloth Ord^{ry}. N^{o}. 3 q^{t}.	4 10

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2 Chest Goa Arrack.
20 bottles of Claret.
20 bottles of Palm Wine in Pints.
46 D°. of Madera.
30 D°. of Renish.
4 D°. of Soye.
52 D°. of Small beer.
¾ of a Carboy of double distill'd Arrack.
2 Empty Arrack Cases.

SHIP SPEEDWELL & STORES VIZ^{T}.

3 Anchors.
2 Old Cables & 1 new d°.
1 Iron Grapnol.
1 eight Inch new harser.
1 Seven Inch D°.
1 five Inch D°. for Warping.
1 Old mainsail & 1 new D°.
1 Foresail, Bengal Duck.
1 Maintopsail, & 1 fore D°.
1 Mizen & 1 Mizen topsail.
1 Spritsail, gib boom ring & funnell.
1 Maintopmast Staysail.
1 Maintopmast & foretopmast.
1 Mainmast & Mizen topmast.
1 Mainyard, foreyard, & topmast yard.
1 Mainyard, foreyard, & topmast yards.
1 Cross Jack yard, Mizen topsail yard & Spritsail D°.
Main Shrowds & Main Stay.
Main topsail d°. & Stay.
Main topmast breast backstay.
Foremast Shrowds & Stay.
Foretopmast d°. & Stay.
Backstay & breast backstay.
Mizen Shrouds & Stay.
Mizen topsail shrouds & Stay.
2 Leads & 2 Iron hammers.
2 hatchets, 2 Martin Spikes.
2 Scrapers & 1 pendant.
4 M^{d}. Damar, 1 pot with Tar.
6 measures of Tallow.
1 Iron Kettle.
1 long teak Timber, 6 D°. short.
2 palmeira planks 8 winches.
1 Top, 21 balls of Coire, 1 Iron crow.
1 Iron Shovel & paddle.
3 Spindles.
1 Maintop & foretop.
1 Maincap & forecap.
1 Main cross tree, 1 forecross tree.
1 Lead Line, 2 Iron pump handles.
1 Iron hook.
24 balls of Caulking Stuff.
11 Water Casks.
1 Gunney 3 half hour glasses.
2 Lanthorns, 1 Log line & Wheel.

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I brass Compass, 2 wooden D°.
5 Small Guns.
A Brigantine at Vizagapatam about 80 Tons.

DEBT^{s}. STANDING OUT IN THE COUNTRY BELONGING TO M^{R}. JOHN BLUNT DEC^{BER}. 1727.

In the Weavers hands, for Superfine Longcloth	484	—	—
Shaik Merah Nocodah as ℔ note	300	—	—
Cawsa Tommas as ℔ note	100	—	—
Shera Ninde, his ballance	84	—	—
Rajah Timmerause as ℔ note for	300	—	—
Surah Naran as ℔ note for	50	—	—
Ingerause	3	—	—
Two Notes Amo^{ting}.	5	—	—
Pallee Devalo	2	—	—
Carpetmen	2	—	—
Cunchum Linganah	453	11	1
Washerman Anconah	24	33	40
D°. Murmulla Tommah	33	34	43
Pa.			
Saltpetre 51 Candy's at 6½ ℔ Candy free from Charges some wash'd away in the last rain	331	18	—
Carra Anconah	3	—	—
Dampah	12	7	57
Dorah Chitty Linganah	3	—	—
Naran Balla	24	24	48
Pag^{s}.	2216	18	29

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{T}. COUNCIL.

Hon^{BLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

The General books of this place being balanc'd & those of the Subordinates on this Coast sent up, in pursuance to an order from the Hon^{ble}. Court of Directors I am to lay before you the last years expence, that you may please to consider whither any part of the Charge can be sav'd & As at this Settlement it is some what more than last year, I shall compare the particulars, by which you may see in what Articles it is encreas'd.

	for the year end^{s}. April 1726.	for the year end^{s}. April 1727.	Decrease.	Encrease.		
Charges Garrison ..	15779 26 77	15876 16 64		96 25 67		
Presents	174 18 20	893 3 —		712 20 60		
Charges Cattle ..	800 — —	800 — —				
Charges Diet	7000 — —	7000 — —				
Acco^{t}. Salary	3265 34 67	3390 35 76		125 1 9		
Charges Hospital ..	769 35 20	838 30 33		68 31 13		
Charges General ..	6086 22 44	6493 22 11		406 35 47		
					1416	6 36
Charges Extraordinary ..	173 21 10	161 17 —	12 4 10			
Repairs of Fotifications ..	1495 29 70	1486 6 35	9 23 35			
					21	27 45
	35546 8 68	36940 23 59				
The expences of this Settlement encreas'd this year ..					1394	14 71
w^{ch}. is chiefly in presents and Charges General, the former being for Sundries sent the Nabob as ℔ Consultation of 30th. June amounting to				503 6 —		

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& for broadcloth given to the Compys. Merchts. at the making of three Contracts, it being omitted at the two last as ℔ Consultation of the 11th. February .. .. .. 246 18 —

749 24 —

The latter as ℔ Consultation of the 20th. January for mending the Screws, refitting the State Palanquin twice mending the Govr. Chaise, make Caparisons & Saddle Cloths &ct. 338 11 40

Pags. 1087 35 40

The Expences at Fort St. David, for the Year ending April 1727 Viz t.

Acco t. Salary	899 31 43		
Charges Extraordinary	303 9 44		
Repairs of Fortifications	76 28 50		
Charges Cattle	600 — —		
Charges Diet	3224 — —		
Charges Garrison	13182 21 73		
Charges Hospital	240 22 40		
Peons & Servts.	3456 12 —		
Presents	17 30 —		
Charges General	2221 16 9		
		24222 28 24	
the Expence for the year ending April 1726 was		24215 29 61	
The Expence at Fort St. David encreas'd this year			6 34 43
		Pags. 1401 13 34	
The Expences of this Settlement & Fort St. David encreas'd		1401 13 34	
The Expence at Vizagapatam, for the year ending April 1726	6065 29 31		
D°. at Ingeram which is now subordinate ..	1182 13 63		
	7248 7 14		

The Expence for the Year, ending April 1727.

Acco t. Fortifications	235 11 26		
Charges Garrison	1854 24 —		
Acco t. Repairs..	98 29 67		
Charges Extraordinary	419 11 13		
Charges Diet	752 — —		
Acco t Gardens	27 31 18		
Acco t. Salary	497 28 60		
Acco t. Wax	49 7 16		
Servts. Wages	1127 27 11		
Charges General	523 4 2		
Acco t. Presents	924 23 65		
		6616 32 17	
The Expence at Vizagapatam & Ingeram decreas'd			631 10 77
The Expence at Metchlepatam & Maddapollum for the year ending April 1726 was	622 28 43		
Do. for the year ending April 1727 is.	381 3 63		
The Expence at these Settlements decreas'd		241 24 60	
		decrease ..	872 35 57
The Expence at this Settlement & its Subordinates on the Coast encreas'd this year			528 13 57

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Thus having given your Honour &c^{t}. an Acco^{t}. of the Hon^{ble}. Comp^{ys}. Annua Expence on this Coast, I shall proceed to lay before you an Acco^{t}. of their Customs here & Revenues at Fort S^{t}. David.

The Sea Custom at Fort S^{t}. George for the year ending April 1727 amounting to	31920 11 16			
D^{o}. for the year ending April 1726 Amounted to	28560 7 46			
Encrease in this revenue			3360	3 50
The Land Customs for the year, ending April 1726 amounted to ..		10185 33 76		
D^{o}. for the Year ending April 1727 rec'd. by the land Customer ..	5384 14 45			
The Companys Merch^{ts}. debted for what bro^{t}. in by them. 6845 31 15				
Credited for Customs on what rec'd of them .. 2486 34 14				
	4358 33 1			
Land Customs 1727		9749 11 46		
Decrease in this revenue			442	22 30
The Customs on Gold & Silver coin'd in the year ending April 1726 Amounted to	4869 34 44			
D^{o}. April 1727 Amo^{t}. to	3217 32 40			
Decrease in this revenue ..		1452 2 4		
			1894	24 34
The Customs here increas'd this Year ..			1465	15 16
The Revenues at Fort S^{t}. David for the year end^{g}. April 1727		10486 6 50		
D^{o}. ending April 1726 Amount to		9877 — 38		
Encrease in the Revenues at Fort S^{t}. David ..			609	6 12
The Customs here & Rev^{s}. at Fort S^{t}. David, are increased this Year .. .. Pag^{s}.			2074	21 28

The State of the Revenues at Vizagapatam I sent up from thence in a Letter dated 15th. September to which be pleas'd to be referr'd.

The Acco^{t}. Presents at Vizagapatam, amo^{ting}. so high, Your Honour &c^{t}. will please to observe that they are for the preceeding year and this, there then being a dispute with the Nabob which occasion'd his presents not to be given him as usual.

Moorkee &c^{t}. Washermen their debt is decreas'd this year pagodas 571 : 22 : 35 & Nairo Verona's quite clear'd.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
JANUARY 13TH. 1727.

I am with respect
HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.
Y^{R}. most obedient humble Servant.
ROBERT SYMONDS.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{T}. COUNCIL.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

I desire liberty to go for England on the Prince William, & that you will give Cap^{t}. Gilbert an order to receive me & my necessaries on board.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
JAN^{RY}. 15TH. 1727

I am with Great respect
HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.
Y^{R}. most obedient humble Servant.
JOHN EMMERSON.

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To the Hon^ble. James Macrae Esq^r. &c^t. Council.

Hon^ble. S^r. & S^rs.

My Affairs require my presence in England, therefore desire your Hon^r. &c^t. will permit me to Embark on board the Sarum & please to give Cap^t. George Newton an Order to receive me on board.

Fort S^t. George
15^th. January 1727.

I am
Hon^ble. S^r. & S^rs.
Y^r. most obedient humble Serv^t.
Aaron Franks.

Fort S^t. George Anno 1727 Acco^t. Charges building a new house &c^t. & repairing the Silver Mint Viz^t.

Carpenters Work Viz^t—		
To Teak Timbers 12	56 27 —	
To prone plank 70	136 18 —	
To thin plank 274	88 29 20	
To Sawing 3966 foot planks & timbers	17 7 60	
To large Palmeiras 202	24 23 —	
To small d^o. 135	13 18 —	
To 1500 Nutt reepers	31 31 40	
℔ qrs. lbs.		
To Nails 4 : 3 : —	24 6 60	
To 21 Viss large Nails	2 18 —	
To 2⅜ barrels Tar	11 — —	
To Carpenters hire	84 29 40	
To rattaning Windows	2 18 —	
	———	494 10 [60]
Bricklayers Work—		
To 209670 Wall bricks	123 12 —	
To 45000 Terrass Do.	18 — —	
To 5160 paving Do.	7 13 40	
To 6480 well do.	5 14 35	
To 41400 Tiles	16 20 20	
To 2717 Parra of Stone Chinam	194 2 30	
To 35 Parra Shell Chinam	1 34 —	
To 564 foot Iron Stone	8 2 5	
To 1008 boats Clay & Sand	84 — —	
To Ca^ys. 6. 8. 22 Jaggary	35 28 20	
To 16 : 12½ hemp	7 12 —	
To 1 — — Caracoy Seed	6 24 —	
To 41¼ Mercal Gram	5 15 —	
To Firewood	3 35 —	
To Matts, brooms, pots ropes Country Wood &c^t.	12 6 60	
To Bricklayers & Coolys	212 34 —	
	———	743 1 [50]
Smiths Work—		
℔ qrs. lbs.		
To 23 : 2 — Iron	57 13 40	
To 174 bushells Sea Coals	21 27 —	
To locks 14	14 31 —	
To Smiths, hammermen & boys	12 12 40	
	———	106 12 —
Painters Work—		
mea.		
To 59 Pegu Oil	9 30 —	
To red earth	1 3 —	
To Dammar	— 15 —	
To Mooches	3 35 —	
	———	15 11 —
Total Amo^t. Pag^s.		1358 35 [30]

John Roach
Paymaster.

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FORE ST. GEORGE ANNO 1727.

ACCO^T. CHARGES new roofing the Gunners two Godowns at Charles point bastion Viz^t.

CARPENTERS WORK VIZ^T.					
Teak timbers 4	10	—	—		
Teak planks 12	12	—	—		
D^o. 40	12	18	—		
qrs. lbs.					
Nails 2 : 14	3	10	10		
Sawing 498 Feet of plank	2	5	60		
To Tarr	1	—	—		
To Carpenters Cooly hire	2	12	20		
To Cooly's carrying timber & planks	—	18	—		
				43	28 10
BRICKLAYERS WORK VIZT.					
To Wall bricks 2450	1	16	—		
To Terrass d^o. 8930	3	10	45		
Stone Chinam 137 Parra	9	28	25		
To Charges mixing of D^o.	6	13	60		
To Sand & Clay	—	9	—		
md. lb.					
To Jaggary 4 : 2¾	1	5	20		
To Bricklayers	1	34	40		
To Cooly's	1	9	20		
To Boys	2	32	—		
To Mooches	—	9	—		
				28	23 [50]
SMITHS WORK					
To Iron 3 q^rs.	1	24	60		
To Coals 4 bushells	—	18	—		
To Smiths Cooly hire	—	23	40		
				2	30 20
Total Pag^s.				75	10 —

JOHN ROACH.
Paymaster.

ACCO^T. CHARGES making a Wall along the River side to secure the Wall along Queens Point battery Viz^t.

Wall bricks 129130	75	34	45
Iron Stone 90 Feet	1	4	40
Stone Chinam 810½ parra	59	25	60
Sand & Clay 138 boats	10	12	—
Jaggary Cand^s. 1 : 8 : 3	7	29	20
To Pots, ropes &c^t.	—	19	—
To bricklayers 294	10	20	—
To Cooly's 235	5	—	40
To boys 1137	15	28	40
Total Pag^s.	186	30	5

JOHN ROACH.
Paymaster.

Dispatched by peons overland General Letters to Vizagapatam & Ingeram of this date. 16

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY THE 19TH

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQR.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

Survey of the Ammunition on Bd. three Europe ships order'd.

ORDER'D that Mr. Samuel Hyde with the Gunner do go on board the Prince William Sarum & London to muster their men and survey their Guns Powder Shot &ca. morrow morning.

Soldiers sent home.

ORDER'D that John Holmes, Theophilus Morgan and William Prickett three Europe Centinels who have Serv'd their Contracted time and are also Drunken Mutinous Fellows be sent on board Ship London who is in want of Men and that they be enter'd on her muster role.

Powder house orderd to be set about.

The dry weather being now coming on ORDER'D that the Paymaster do immediately set about the Powder house.

Rental General & Scavinger pays in Money on those accots.

Nicholas Morse Rental General and Scavinger reads his Accot: Curt: and pays into Cash.

On Account Quitrent	342	20	60
On Acct. Scavingers Duty	57	—	70
Pags.	399	21	50

Bad Debts permitted to be wrote off Vizt.

On Account Quitrent	43	12	20
On Account Scavingers Duty	26	9	10
Ps.	69	21	30

and which is a much Smaller Sum than Usual and certainly unavoidable.

delivers in a new roll for the year 1727 wch. is sign'd.

He likewise delivers a Report to the Board to accompany the Rent Roll for the Year 1727 which is now produced & Sign'd Vizt.

Quit Rent from ℔mo., Septemr. 1726 to Ultº. August 1727 ..	2618	30	—
Scavingers duty from ℔mo. Sepr. 1726 to Ultº. August 1727 ..	1110	2	—
Butteca Rent & Shroff Duty from Primo Septemr. 1727 to Ultimo August 1728	310	—	—
The Compys Old garden 1 Yr: from 15th April 1727 ..	351	—	—
Maria Pois's Garden for 1 Year from 25th. March 1727 ..	70	—	—
Pags.	4459	32	—

[Town] Conicoply's duty collected at the Choultry pd. in &

Samuel Hyde Land Customer reads his Accompt of the Town Conicoply's duty Collected at the Choultry and pays in Forty two Pagodas Eighteen fanams & fifty nine Cash 42. 18. 59 ballance thereof.

Half a seisure of [the] Buzar Cloth.

He likewise pays into Cash Ten Pagodas Eighteen fanams 10. 18 for half the produce of the Twenty Peices Buzzar Cloth confiscated at the Choultry.

Lieutts. Gilbert & Newton advise the Board treat their ships are full.

The Secretary produces a Paper to the Board sent him by Captain Thomas Gilbert which gives an Account that his Ship is full, and

A Letter from Captain George Newton to the Board to the same Effect.

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The Warehousekeeper representing that the Painters are in want of more Money on account of the Goods they are now at work upon AGREED that he be permitted to advance them Five Hundred 500 Pagodas. — The Warehousekeeper permitted to advance the Painters 500 pagodas.

The President pays into Cash Four thousand Pagodas 4000 on Acco^{t}. of the one Pagoda ₱ Bale which he had receivd and is order'd by the Company to repay. — The President pays into Cash 4000 pagodas according to order from England.

The Secretary pays into Cash Three thousand five Hundred fifty five Pagodas and twenty fanams 3555. 20 being the Amount of the Money refunded for Pepper all but M^{r}. Oadham's one share. — The Refund for Pepper.

Mess^{rs}. Hubbard and Morse deliver in a Report of the Estate of John Murray deceased and an Acco^{t}. Curr^{t}. &c^{a}. relating thereto which are enter'd after this Consultation They also pay in Seven Hundred twenty nine Pagodas Seventeen fanams & fifty five Cash 729. 17. 55 for ballance of the said Accompt. — Acco^{t}. of the Estate of John Murray decd. d'd. [and] the ballance p^{d}. into Cash.

M^{r}. Morse also pays into Cash two Hundred Seventeen Pagodas Seven fanams and Sixty two Cash 217. 7. 62 being the amount of M^{r}. Packers Outcry at Fort S^{t}. David. — Amo^{t}. of Mr. Packers Outcry at F. S^{t}. David paid in.

Bills of Exchange on the Honble Court of Directors for the following Sums payable at Eight Shillings ₱ Pagoda and two months Sight of this days date are now sign'd Viz^{t}. — Bills of Exchange sign'd.

	£	s.	d.	Pags.	fa.	ca.
1st. 2^{d} & 3^{d}. To the order of John Drummond Value of Major John Roach by Order of Hugh Campbell	400	—	—	1000	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the Order of Duncan Munro Value of Major John Roach	661	3	7½	1652	34	28
1, 2 & 3 to the Order of Major John Roach, Value of himself	200	—	—	500	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the order of Major John Roach, Value of himself	380	12	3	951	19	14
1, 2 & 3 to the order of Joseph Jenes Osorio Value of himself	1200	—	—	3000	—	—
1, 2 & 3 the order of John Walker Value of Mordecai Walker	60	—	—	150	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the order of Samuel Prime Value Thomas Weston	51	4	—	128	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the order of Thomas Weston Senior Value of Thomas Weston Junior.	179	2	10	447	30	60
1, 2 & 3 to the order of John Walker Value of Mordecai Walker	200	—	—	500	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the order of Thomas Lingood Value of James Hubbard for produce, of the Estate of John Jarvis	17	12	—	44	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the order of John Stileman Value of Samuel Hyde	60	—	—	150	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the order of Richard Woollaston Value of James Hubbard for produce of the Estate of Daniel Woollaston ..	85	4	—	213	—	—
1, 2 & 3 to the order of Elizabeth Jedderee and William Gostling Value of Michael Jedderee	300	—	—	750	—	—
1, 2 & 3^{d}. to the order of John Rend Value of himself	137	—	—	342	18	—
1, 2 & 3^{d}. to the order of Capt^{n}. Thomas Gie Value of himself on Acco^{t}. the Estate of Christopher Boulton	77	6	10½	193	13	—
1, 2 & 3^{d}. to the order of John Crawford Value of Henry Crawford	150	—	—	375	—	—

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	£	s.	d.	Pags.	fa.	ca.
1st. 2d. & 3d, to the order of Edwd. Harrison and William Tullie Esqrs. Value of Timothy Tullie	680	—	—	1700	—	—
1, 2, & 3d. to the order of Henry Newman and Francis Hugonin Value of the Ministers and Church Warden's of St. Mary's Church	200	—	—	500	—	—
1, 2 & 3d. to the order of William Macket Value of William Monson	99	7	4¾	248	15	24
	£5138	12	11¾	12846	22	46

Jas. Macrae.
G. M. Pitt.
Robt. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
[*Lacuna*].
Aug: Burton.
[*Lacuna*].
Nic. Morse.

1727 Nicholas Morse General	Dr.	1727 Per Contra	Cr.
Septr. 4th. To Ballance of Mr. Lauder's Accot. Outstanding ..	651 33 —	Octor. 18th. By the Honble. Company's Cash pd. in Consultation Accot. Quit Rent	266 — —
— To 3 Months Farm of the Butteca Rent and Shroff duty ending August 31st. 1727	77 18 —	By Ditto paid 3 mos. Butteca Rent ending 31st. August 1727	77 18 —
— To Six month's Farm of the Honourable Companys Garden let to Mahadeu ending 15th. October 1727	175 18 —	Novr. 27. By Do. paid Six mos. Rent of the Companys Garden let to Mahadeu ending 15th. Octo- 1727	175 18 —
		Decr. By Do. paid the Ballance of what Recoverable Accot. Quit Rent ..	342 20 60
		By Proffit and Loss for desperate debts outstanding, on Accot. of Quit Rent ..	43 12 20
Pagodas ..	904 33 —	Pagodas ..	904 33 —

Errors Excepted

℔ Nicholas Morse.
Rental General.

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1727 NICHOLAS MORSE. SCAVINGER Dr.			1727 .. CRORTRA Cr.		
Sept. 4th. To Ballance of Mr. John Lauder's Account Outstanding	120 25 —	Octor. 18.	By the Honble Company's Cash paid in Consultation	37 15 —	
		Decr.	By Ditto paid Ditto	57 — 70	
			By Proffit & Loss for Desparate Debts outstanding on Acco. of Scavinger's duty.	26 9 10	
			Pagodas ..	120 25 —	

ERRORS EXCEPTED

℔ NICHOLAS MORSE

Scavinger.

TO THE HONBLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SE. & SRS.

Having completed the Accounts of Rental General and Scavinger deliver'd over to me by Mr. John Lauder the 4th. September last I now pay on the said Accompts Vizt.

On Accot. of Quit Rent	342	20	60
Scavingrs. Duty	57	—	70
Pags.	399	21	50

being the Ballance of what Debts are recoverable as will appear by the Accounts Currts. herewith deliver'd to the Board, wherein Your Honr. &ca. may observe the desperate Debts outstanding to be Vizt.

On Accot. of Quit Rent	43	12	20
Scavingrs. Duty	26	9	10
Pagods.	69	21	30

which are impossible to Recover for Reasons before Reported to this Honourable Board in Consultation of 27th. June [when] by the several Committees appointed for the general Survey of the Bounds wherein those Gentlemen have largely represented the Nature of the unavoidable Losses accruing to this Revenue, wherefore I shall not detain your Honr. &ca. in Excuse of my self, further than to observe there has not pass'd an Account of this Revenue for these Seven Years Past wherein the Debts have Amounted unto less than Pagods. 174 on the two Accounts and some have Amounted to upwards of Pagodas 220 which compar'd with the Debts of this Accompt will I hope covince our Honourable Masters no pains have been spar'd for a Just and Strict Collecting of this their Revenue.

Your Honr. &cas. Resolution taken the next Consultation after the Receiving the Report from the Committees (and after the date of the [Re]nt Roll above accounted for) to sell all waste and [un]employ'd Grounds and Houses will very much de[crease] the Debts that might otherwise arise on the ensuing Rolls—As that and all other convenient Methods for encreasing our Honourable Masters Revenues have been kindly Receiv'd and executed so I dont doubt Your Honr. &ca. will Excuse my offering to Your Consideration as follows.

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That whereas it has been the Custom in this Town and places adjacent for the Renters of any Shops and Butteeks to discharge the Companys Tax of Quit Rent, by which means it frequently happens the Renter shall live several months in a Butteek after the time of compiling the Rent rol, and [if he] Shall Suddenly afterwards desert that Shop and go up the Country or build in some other Station not yet observ'd or enroll'd, which occasions a Loss of the Company's Quit Rent by reason such Shop is empty when the Collector comes to demand it I believe I may Attribute one half of the Bad Debts in the above accounts to this Practice. To remedy which I would humbly propose that the Builder or Landlord of any Butteek be Answerable for the Honourable Company's Annual Tax whether employ'd or unemploy'd, Or otherwise in Case the Land lord shall think fit to put a stop to an eating Charge That He be oblig'd to pull down or deliver up the Keys of such empty Butteeks, and thereby satisfie the Collector the same has not been used in his Absence. But this is submitted.

I herewith likewise deliver for Your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. approval a new rent Roll for the Year ending August 1727 which indeed is the same with That deliver'd by the Gentlemen of the Committees excepting the Addition of the Quit Rent on the Shops and Butteeks in and about the Town which upon the whole makes Viz^{t}.

The Quit Rent to be .. .. Pag^{s}.	2618	30	—
Scavinger's Duty	1110	2	—
Pag^{s}.	3728	32	—

The other Revenues of the Company that may fall under my Care for the ensuing Year are Viz^{t}.

The Butteek Rent and S[h]roff Duty Farm'd out to Vaincaty Rama payable in four payments from the 1st. September 1727 ending the 31st. August 1728 inclusive for One Year	320	—	—
The Honourable Company's Old Garden Farm'd out to Mahadu payable in half Yearly payments Viz^{t}. 15th. October 1727 and 15th. April 1728 for One Year ..	351	—	—
The Honourable Company's Old Garden farm'd out to Sebastian Chaundra payable in the Yearly payment of the 25th. March 1728	70	—	—
Pagodas ..	4,469	32	—

I am
Hon^{ble}. S^{r}. & S^{rs}.
Yo^{r}. most Faithfull Hum^{ble}. Servant
NIC: MORSE

TOWN CONICOPLY'S DUTY FOR 1727.

Janry. 14th.	—	11	31		
24	—	31	25		
31	2	2	46		
				3	9 22
Feby. 14	—	32	60		
27	1	13	40		
28	—	14	78		
				2	25 18
March 16	1	19	52		
20	—	28	23		
29	1	22	40		
31	—	11	65		
				4	10 20

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April	10	..	..	..	..	—	26	30		
	19	..	..	..	..	—	24	72		
	27	..	..	..	..	—	3	50		
	30	..	..	..	..	1	16	18		
									2	35 10
May	12	..	..	..	..	—	11	14		
	19	..	..	..	..	—	2	66		
	27	..	..	..	..	—	18	75		
									—	32 75
June	1	..	..	..	..	—	7	25		
	8	..	..	..	..	—	9	42		
	12	..	..	..	..	—	9	31		
	20	..	..	..	..	—	29	5		
	28	..	..	..	..	—	22	3		
	30	..	..	..	..	—	6	66		
									2	12 12
July	12	..	..	..	..	—	24	66		
	15	..	..	..	..	—	30	40		
	28	..	..	..	..	—	23	38		
	31	..	..	..	..	2	4	50		
									4	11 34
Augst.	8	..	..	..	..	2	4	72		
	19	..	..	..	..	1	2	46		
	31	..	..	..	..	—	17	78		
									3	25 36
Sept^{r}.	9	..	..	..	..	—	8	65		
	15	..	..	..	..	—	12	70		
	30	..	..	..	..	1	—	15		
									1	[21 70]
Octo^{r}.	18	..	..	..	..	1	28	21		
	27	..	..	..	..	2	26	66		
	31	..	..	..	..	4	32	28		
									9	15 35
Nov^{r}.	15	..	..	..	..	1	18	62		
	29	..	..	..	..	1	21	74		
	30	..	..	..	..	—	25	30		
									3	30 6
Decem^{r}.	12	..	..	..	..	—	25	5		
	23	..	..	..	..	1	—	6		
	29	..	..	..	..	1	16	30		
									3	5 41
								Pagodas	42	18 59

SAMUEL HYDE
Land Custom^{r}.

To M^{R}. TORRIANO

S^{r}.

My Ship being now full I desire you will please to Acquaint the Hon^{ble}: the Governour and Council therewith at their next Consultation.

JANUARY THE 17TH. 1727.

I AM
S^{R}.
Yo^{r}: most Humble Serv^{t}.
THOMAS GILBERT

HOÑBLE S^{R} & S^{RS}.

I have received on board the Ship Sarum ffrigatt four hundred & eight of the Hoñble Compȳs bales which is as many as I can take in therefore desire You'll not send off any more I am

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE JANȲ 17TH. 1727/28

S^{RS}.
Y^{r}. most humb. Serv^{t}.
G: NEWTON

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To the Hoñble James Macrae Esq^r^.

Presid^t^. & Gov^r^. of Fort S^t^. George &c^a^. Council.

Hoñble S^r^. & S^rs^.

According to Order of Consultation of the 23^d^. May last we have taken under our Care the Effects of John Murray deceased late Groom who died intestate & have disposed of the same at publick outcry for Pagodas 241. 4. 60 we have also receiv'd of M^r^. John Lauder Pag^s^. 805. 12 — which with the Amount of the Outcrys and another Small Sum Receiv'd is P^s^. 1055. 12. 60 and have discharg'd Sundry demands on the Estate w^ch^. came to P^s^. 273. 3. 35 the ballance being Pag^s^. 729 17. 55 we now pay into the Hoñble Company's Cash to be there deposited for the benefit of his Relations when they shall make their Claims.

We have been told that the deceased purchased before his Sickness two small Diamonds of about a hundred Pagodas Value, and that they were put in his Escrutoire immediately on Notice of his Death his Escrutoire and Chests were all Sealed and after, were open'd in the presence of Several Persons, but no such things appear'd upon the Examination then and Since made after them we have not been able to get any Light into the Affair, how they were convey'd away his Servants alledging that the Military who looked after him in his Sickness, had them and the Military at the same time accusing the Servants.

There are some Notes to a small Amount, which the Deceased left among his Papers—we have demanded the Money but the Persons have Refused on one pretence or another, to comply with the Payment—We found also Bills of Exchange for Pagodas [*lacuna*] drawn by M^r^. Peter Vezian on his Father M^r^. [*lacuna*] Vezian in London which you will please to give Directions to be forwarded to Europe by these Shipping.

We herewith deliver to your Hon^r^. &c^a^. Account Sales of his Effects and Acco^t^: Curr^t^: of his Estate together with some books and Papers in which have been kept Some Acco^ts^. which we believe are not regular & Consequently but of little use found in his Escrutore, which we entreat you will please to order to be kept in some place that Persons may have recourse to them, in case it shall be requir'd hereafter. We are w^th^. Respect.

Fort S^t^. George
January 16^th^. 1727.

Hon'ble S^r^. & S^rs^.
Yo^r^. most Obed^t^. Hum^ble^. Serv^ts^.
James Hubbard.
Nicholas Morse.

John Murray Deceased.

Dr.			Cr.		
To Cash paid the following demands—			By Cash receiv'd the Amount of Two Outcrys		241 4 60
A Note to M^r^. Edward Tandey dated the 28^th^. April 1727 for Money borrowed of him ..		50 — —	By Ditto—of M^r^. John Lauder what was deposited in his hands.	800 — —	
M^r^. Charles Hunters Note for liquors ..		2 9 —	Interest One month ..	5 12 —	
M^r^. Hugh Kennedy's Note for part of the Funeral Charges paid by him	8 12 —		By Cash found in his Escrutore	4 — —	805 12 —
M^r^. Step^ns^. Newcomes Note for Funeral Charges	14 18 65		Receiv'd of Thomas Pelling his Debt ..	1 — —	5 — —
		22 30 65	By Cash Receiv'd of M^r^. Peers M^r^. Philip Tullie's Debt ..		3 32 —
Sérjeant John Rends Note for 11 Aprons & some Liquors ..		4 29 10		Pagodas ..	1055 12 60
The Taylors Note ..		2 27 —			

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DR JOHN MURRAY DECEASED. CR.

Tango his Dubash ℔ his Accompt ..		14 18 40	
Head Pallenkeen Boy for a Bambo		7 — —	
Verapa, for Stockings ..		14 — —	
Scavingers and Rental General's Note ..		3 — —	
Washerman		— 21 —	
Malliah for Milk for a Calf		— 27 —	
Ninah for Handkerchiefs		— 33 —	
Barber		— 9 —	
Francisco		3 9 —	
Comrapah for 13 of Morees & 1 Patch Gingham		50 14 —	
Governour Macrae's note for the Furniture of a Horse which was spoil'd whilst he was Groom & for the keeping of Gov^{r}. Phipp's Horse which Money he receiv'd		70 — —	
M^{r}. Morse's Note for 200 Dungree bags which M^{r}. Murray sold and never was accounted for		18 — —	
To Cooleyhire on his things to the Seagate ..		— 4 —	
The Cryer for Two Outcrys		1 — —	
M^{r}. Foxley's note for Geneva		6 18 —	
Paid the Cryer ..		— 6 —	
		273 3 35	
To Commission 5 ℔ Cent on Pag^{s}. 1055 : 12 : 60.		52 27 50	
	Pagodas	325 31 5	
To Ballance paid into the Honble Company's Cash		729 17 55	
	Pagodas ..	1055 12 60	

ACCOMPT SALES OF THE EFFECTS OF JOHN MURRAY DECEASED.

Sold at Outcry at the Horse Stables May 12th. 1727.

Ensign Rush—Cows two	6	31	40	
Ditto— Ditto four	8	31	40	
M^{r}. Tipping—Calf One	4	—	—	
Hieronimo—Bengal Sheep four	2	2	—	
Francisco Gregorio—Ditto Goats 21 ..	3	22	40	
M^{r}. Hubbard—Turkey's 5	2	—	—	
Francisco Gregorio—Geese—2	1	—	—	
Ditto—Ducks—5	—	11	—	
M^{r}. Kennedy—Antelope 1	—	28	—	
Hubbard—Fowles 20	—	30	—	
				30 10 40

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Sold at Outcry at the Sea Gate May 18th. 1727.

Mr. Tipping—One Escrutore	13	—	—	
Charles Hunter—1 Gold Head of a Cane ..	3	33	60	
Walker—1 Rosewood Escrutore ..	3	4	40	
Fowke—1 Ditto	3	27	—	
Domingo Mendes—1 Pce China Camblet ..	5	31	40	
Mr. Newcome—3 Ps. Paper Fincey ..	2	9	—	
Coja Gregory—2 ps. China handks. 2¾ ℔ ps .	5	18	—	
Mr. Kennedy—4 Corge—3 ps. Cotton Stockings	40	—	—	
Captain Upton—1 Dzn. Shirts New ..	7	31	40	
Captn. Powney—1 Dzn. Ditto	9	4	40	
Captn. Shannon 1 Do. Do.	9	31	40	
Ditto 1 Do. Do.	9	4	40	
Mr. Newcome 11 Shirts	7	27	—	
Carapa Chittee 11 Muslin Aprons	1	3	—	
Captn. Shannon 3 ps. Muslin Handkerchiefs ..	5	27	—	
The Cryer Hathaway a parcel of Old Cloths..	5	—	—	
Mr. Hubbard 2 Quilts	3	—	—	
Randamooda a parcel of Pillow Cases & Sheets.	2	1	—	
Sattena a parcel of Old Linnen	1	18	—	
Mr. Hubbard Two Fans	2	19	—	
Verapa a Large Chest	2	13	40	
Coja Gregorie 1 pr. Chino Escrutores ..	5	27	—	
Mr. Newcome 1 Looking Glass Frame ..	1	21	—	
Cryer Hathaway 1 Escrutore	1	18	—	
Captn. Powney 6 Canes	1	—	—	
Mr. Kennedy—1 Sword	3	—	—	
Mr. Peers—1 Tea table & 3 Bandejas ..	3	—	—	
Mooteapa—1 Wigg box	1	21	—	
Randamoodu 2 Old Hatts	1	3	—	
Comrapa a Parcel Old Coats breeches &cs. ..	5	13	40	
Mr. Hubbard 6 Cattee Green Tea	2	—	—	
Ditto 3 Ditto	1	—	—	
Kennedy—1 Large Punch Bowl ..	1	2	—	
Hubbard 1 Sett China Tea Cups &cs: ..	3	—	—	
Morley—1 Ditto	3	22	40	
Barrington 1 Ditto	3	22	40	
Hubbard a broken Sett, the Remains ..	1	—	—	
Captain Prichard a Case of Brushes ..	—	8	—	
Corapa Chittee a Parcel Candles & a China Mug	1	17	—	
Sattenah 1 Jar Tamarin and a Box ..	—	14	—	
Gruah a Table and 6 Old Chairs	—	31	—	
Ditto one Old Ditto	—	15	—	
Captn. Prichard One Old Case	—	13	—	
Mr. Murray a Chaise and Harness	17	—	—	
Snow a Half Leaguer of Arrack	6	4	40	
China Tomby 1 Empty half Leaguer ..	—	13	—	
			53	20 —
Pagodas ..			210	30 20

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ JAMES HUBBARD.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

20 Ship Diana belonging to Pondichery arrived from Pegue.
21 Brigantine St. Louis Monsr. Fournier arrived from Pegue.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQ^R.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

SUNDAY THE 21^ST. EIGHT IN THE MORNING.

M^r. Richard English pays into cash the Sum of three thousand and sixty three Pagodas, one Fanam & fifty two Cash 3063. 1. 52 on Acco^t. the Estate of William Skinner deceased, being all that he has hitherto Collected.

M^r. English pays in money Account M^r. Skinners Estate.

Bills of Exchange of Yesterdays date payable by the Hoñble Court of Directors at the usual Rate & time [signed] Viz^t.

Bills of Exchange Signed.

1^st. 2^d. 3^d. to the order of Francis Hugonin value of M^r. Mary Houghton	£	80	—	—	P^s.	200	—	—
1^st. 2^d. 3^d. to the order of Mordecai Walker value of himself ..		1200	—	—		3000	—	—
	£	1280	—	—	P^s.	3200	—	—

Petition from M^r. Thomas Wendey read and granted praying Permission of Passage by the Prince William, also

Petitions from M^r. Wendey. M^rs. Jeddere & M^r. Campbell for himself and sister to go home.

From Cap^t. Machael Jeddere for his Wives Passage [on] the London and

From M^rs. Elizabeth Campbell & M^r. Colin Camp[bell] for a Passage on the same Ship.

General Letter to the Hoñble Court of Directors of yesterdays date, also Duplicate & Triplicate of that by the Princess of Wales dated 22^d. September, a Letter to S^t. Helena dated this day, and the Dispatches to Cap^ts. Thomas Gilbert, George Newton & Robert Bootle read and Signd.

General Letter to England & S^t. Helena &c^t. papers sign'd.

JA^s. MACRAE.
G. M. PITT.
ROB^T. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
[*lacuna*].
AUG: BURTON.
NIC. MORSE.

TO THE HON^BLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R.

PRESID^T. & GOV^R. &C^A. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THOMAS WENDEY

SHEWETH

That Your Petitioner being desirous of going home on the Prince William humbly requests Y^r. Hon^r. &c^a. permission to the Cap^t. to receive him & his necessarys on board. And as in duty bound Shall ever pray.

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To the Hon^ble. James Macrae Esq^r.

Presid^t. & Gov^r. &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. George &c^a.

The Humble Petition of Michael Jeddere

Sheweth

That your Petitioners Wife having been Sickly for several Years, it is now thought absolutely necessary in order for to recover her health She should leave this place, he therefore humbly begs your order for her going on board the Ship London she designing for England.

And Your Petitioner as in Duty bound shall ever Pray.

To the Hon^ble. the Presid^t. & Council of Fort S^t. George.

Hon'ble Sir and Sirs

M^rs. Campbell desires permission for herself & family to go upon the London for England & I join in the same request for myself I am with Respect.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t. Humble Serv^t.
Collin Campbell.

22^d. Shi[p]s Prince William Sarum & London Saild for England.
23 Ship Margaret Ann Saild for Vizagapatnam under care of a Syrang.
— Sloop Ramah John Miller master arrivd from Fort S^t. David.
24 Brig^n. Ceasar John Cole Master, saild for Bengall.
Receed by Peons overland a Letter from Vizagapatnam dated 24 Ultimo.
28 Ship Fazaelahi arrived from Vizagapatnam.
29 Sloop Ramah returned to Fort S. Davids with a Gen^l. Letter.
Sent another overland.
Sloop London Basil Hamilton Mas^r. Saild for Bengall.
31 Ship Sarum Capt. saild for the Eastward and Carryed a General Letter to Fort Marlbrô dated yesterday.
Febr^y. 2^d. Ship Margaret Mons^r. Dela Haye & belong to Ponticherry arrived from Pegue.
6 Sloop Ramah returned from Fort S^t. Davids with Bales &^a.
General Letter dated [*lacuna*]
Ship Diana Saild from Ponticherry.

At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday the 6^th.

James Macrae Esq^r. Gov^r. President.
George Morton Pitt Esq^r.
Robert Symonds.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Mess^rs. Roach Hyde & Peers *Sick.*

Cash Acco^t. for Jan. read.

The President reads the Account of the Hoñble Companys Cash for last m^o. Ballance remaining three hundred ninety five thousand seven hundred twenty three Pagodas, seven Fanams & fifty five Cash 395723: 7: [55].

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Nicholas Morse for Samuel Hyde Land Custr. reads that Account for last Month Vizt. Land Customer reads his Account for January.

Choultry Customs	P 519	2	4
Ruby Brokeridge	1	—	—
Registring Slaves	2	16	—
Pags.	522	18	4

Ballance due from him eight hundred twenty seven Pagodas, eighteen Fanams, & eleven Cash of which he now pays three hundred eighteen Pagodas, one fanam & forty seven Cash P. 318. 1. 47 being the Am[ount] of the Ballance for December. and pays in his Decr. Ballance.

The Accountant reads the Journal Parcells for December. Journal parcells for December read.

General Letters read Vizt. Generalls read Vizt.

N°. 8 from the Provisional Chief & Council of Vizagapatam dated the 24th. December to accompany Duplicates of the Invoices &ca. ℔ Ships Prince Will[iam] and London. from Vizagapatam.

N°. 9 from the Provisional Chief & Council of Fort St. David to accompany Invoice & Bill of Lading of Bales sent up by Sloop Rama and to request a supply of Cash, as also to advise that they had hung Peddu's Body on Trepopalore Gallows. from Fort St. David.

ORDER'D that ten thousand 10000 Pagodas be sent to Fort St. David on thursday next.

That two thousand 2000 Pagodas be advanced the Paymaster for the Expenses of the Month and supply of cash ordered thither and

One thousand Pagodas for the Export Warehousekeeper, for the Washers & other necessary Disbursements. money advanced the Paymaster Do. [Expot.] Warehousekeeper.

The Sea Customer reporting that there has laid in the Sea Gate Godown two Bales Mark'd HB N°. 7 for some Years and several other odd parcells for which no Owners appear. AGREED that Messrs. Symonds Fowke & Burton do examine the said Bales & Sell them with the rest of the things, and Report the same to the Board. Committee to inspect all Bales that have [la]in the Sea Gate Godown, which have been claimed by nobody.

The Secretary produces an Estimate of the Charges of repairing the Town Hall, new building the Metta Bridge &ca. for which purposes the Mayors Court had in Consultation of the 11th. Decembr. desir'd the Town Conicoply's Duty might be paid them, the whole amounting to eight hundred & three 803 Pagodas which is enter'd after this Consultation. Estimate of sundry Repairs delivered

And

ORDER'D that the Paymaster do set about the same with all Expedition. And

Same ordered set about forth[with.]

JAs. MACRAE.
G. M. PITT.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
[*lacuna*]
RANDALL FOWKE.
[*lacuna*]
AUG. BURTON.

Brigantine Vizagapatnam Poncali Addi Syrang arrived from Vizagapatnam. 6
Brig. Goodhope Robert Millen saild for Fort St. David.
Sloop Rama, returnd to Fort St. David.
Brign. Lewis XV Saild for Pondicherry, Monsr. Tournier.
Brign. Vizagapatnam returned to Vizagapatnam.
Dispatched by Tappies Overland, a General Letter [...]

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ACCOUNT REPAIRS VIZ^{T}.

To new flooring the Town Hall and mending the Roofe Wall and Prisons. Charges as follows Viz^{t}.

To 250 Sheathing Planks	Pag^{s}.	45	— —
To Timber for door & Window frames		15	— —
To Nails		4	— —
To Dogs & Timbers to put under the Joysts		12	— —
To Iron Stone for the Godowns & Prisons		45	— —
To Bricks		5	— —
To Chinam		40	— —
To Jaggery Coracoy Water &c^{a}.		20	— —
To a partition in one of the Rooms		20	— —
To Carpenters Cooly hire		20	— —
To Bricklayers Cooly hire		45	— —
To Smiths Cooly hire		20	— —
		291	— —

REBUILDING THE METTA BRIDGE.

6 large Timbers	Pag^{s}.	48	— —	
4 small D°.		12	— —	
25 Prone Planks		50	— —	
Spikes & Nails		10	— —	
Sinking 8 Wells		16	— —	
Bricks & Chinam		30	— —	
Cooly Hire		35	— —	
				201 — —

TO REPAIRING TRIPLICANE BRIDGE

Timbers	40	— —	
Redwood Posts	15	— —	
Bricks & Chinam	30	— —	
Cooly hire making Slopes to the Sides from 18 to 20 foot	60	— —	
			145 — —

The new Paving the Streets in the White Town some parts of Brick & some Iron Stone Viz^{t}.

2000 foot Iron Stone	30	— —	
5000 Paving Bricks	71	— —	
Chinam	15	— —	
Clay & Sand	10	— —	
Cooly Hire	40	— —	
			166 — —
		Pagodas	803 — —

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
[...]

JOHN STRATTON.
Register.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. GOV^R^. PRESIDENT.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQ^R^.
ROBERT SYMONDS.
RANDALL FOWKE.
CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
MESS^RS^. ROACH HYDE & BURTON *Sick*

MONDAY THE 12TH.

[Some] abuse to the [trade] of the place [by] respondentia observed to the Board

The Gentlemen in Bengal having in one of their late Letters to this place desir'd us to interpose in an Affair now lying before the Mayors Court relateing to Captain James Hurdis's estate, the purport of the Letter was considered for some time & then the Board unanimously AGREED That we have nothing to do in that affair unless it comes before us in a judicial manner by an Appeal from the Mayors Court.

Upon this occasion the President represented to the Board that of late years this place had suffer'd very considerably by several Supra Cargo's & Cap^ts^. of Ships who had made it a practice to borrow Respondentia to trade upon, & by making bad Voyages were render'd incapable of paying what they borrowed notwithstanding w^ch^. they still found persons to fitt them out again on new Voyages, & so it frequently happen'd that these persons dying the old Creditors claim'd a Share in the returns of the last Respondentia, & so those persons whose mon'y it was that fitted out the Voyage came in for but a part of the Returns, & those whose Debts were desperate before claim'd an equal Share of the Dividend with the others, Which he said seemd to him a hardship, for that the Debtor being incapable of paying the first Voyage, and new friends fitting him out a Second, what was lent on the Second ought properly to pay the Debts of the Second and if the Debtor made a fortunate Voyage the Overplus might enable him to pay off his old Debts.

And

Committee appointed to consider of [Some] proper method to [regu]late them.

In which proposal being join'd by the Board it was AGREED that Mess^rs^. Pitt, Symonds Roach & Morse, be appointed a Committee to consider of some proper method to set this matter on a better footing and that they make their Report to the Board as soon as conveniently may be.

Effects in the hand of Rich^d^. Acton attached towards making good his Debt to y^e^. Comp^y^.

[*a few words lost*] two Years ago M^r^. Richard Acton had been before them Acco^t^ of a debt due from him to M^r^. Sarson of Mocha which the latter had made over to our Hoñble Masters in part of his Debt to them, That at that time M^r^. Acton had declar'd himself incapable of paying the said Debt, but that he was in hopes of getting into business & by that means of being able to discharge the same, upon w^ch^. considerations it was the s^d^. M^r^. Acton was let alone [about] at that time, but that he being now return'd from a Voyage, & having sufficient effects to clear the s^d^. Debt He now propos'd that the Secretary Should attach the same, leaving M^r^. Acton a Liberty of selling them as he Should see fitt himself, only that the produce Should [be] secur'd for the Company which proposal was Agreed [to] and

ORDER'D that the Secretary do attach the effects of the s^d^. M^r^. Acton for the payment of the Sum of three thousand eight hundred twenty three Rupees three quarters & 98 reis.

Storekeepers Acco^t^. for Jan. read.

Charles Peers Storekeeper reads that Acco^t^. for the Month of Jañry, Ballance due from him one hundred & four Pagodas, nine Fanams & thirty five Cash 104–9–35 which is carried to next Months Account.

	Pa.	fa.	ca.
	104	9	35

Export Warehouse Acco^t^. for Jan^y^. read and Account remains signed by Mess^rs^. Symonds & Fowke

Randall Fowke Export Warehousekeep^r^. reads that Acco^t^. for Jañry, Ballance due to him one hundred and twelve Pagodas, twelve fanams & forty eight Cash, 112–12–48 which is now paid him, and then

The Acco^t^. Remains of the Exp^t^. Warehouse were interchangeably sign'd by Mess^rs^. Symonds & Fowke [to] each other, and in the Book kept for that purpose in the Accountants Office.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1727-28——

a Committee appoind. to examine & sort the Cloth that was found in Mr. Blunt Godown at his Death.

ORDER'D that a Committee consisting of Messrs. Robt. Symonds, Randall Fowke, Augustus Burton and Nicholas Morse do meet in the Sorting Godown on Thursday Morn. to examine & Sort the Ingerum Cloth which was sent up after Mr. Blunts death unsorted [as] it was found in his Godowns at Ingerum.

Messrs. Fowke & Torriano appointd. to the reading Divine Service and a Sallary allowed them.

Upon the occasion of the Death of the Revd. Mr. Leeke our Chaplain who dy'd on Fryday last, It was AGREED in order for keeping up the Worship of Almighty God that Messrs. Randall Fowke & George Torriano do perform divine Service in the Church, and yt. Prayers be read twice on Sundays with a Sermon in the [Morning] and also Prayers on Wednesdays and Frydays in [the] forenoon for which they are to receive Fifty Pounds a piece Salary being equivalent to what is allowed one Chaplain.

Rent of the Arrack Li[cense] for Janr. paid in.

Poncala Kistna Farmer of the Arrack & Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas 335 for a months Rent of that Farm due the 5 Instant.

Rent of the Measuring Duty for the [two] last months pd.

Nundalal & Gopaldauze Measuring Farmers pay into Cash one hundred thirty six Pagodas twenty four fanams 136. 24 for two Months Rent of that Farm due the 20th. December.

JAS: MACRAE.
G. M. PITT.
ROB'. SYMONDS.
[*lacuna*]
RANDALL FOWKE.
[*lacuna*]

15TH. Ship Glouster Capt. John Tye arrived from Pegue.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 15TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQR.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
MESSRS. HYDE & BURTON *Sick.*

Report Delivered [of] the Committee [appontd.] to inspect[ye.] Bales lying at Sea Gate.

The Committee appointed in Consultation of ye. 6th. Ult°. upon the Sea Customers Report, to inspect the Bales &ca. lying in the Sea Gate Godown for which no Owners appear'd acquainted the board that the two Bales which were then reported to be Mark'd HB are ŧB and are claimed by Mr. Hubbard on Accot. of Mr. George Williamson Supra Cargo of the Harrison, & that there is also a Chest without any Mark or Number, which upon opening prov'd to be Candles, & was also claim'd by Mr. Hubbard his proofs for the same they deliver to the Board which is read & order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation, [as] for the other odd things the Accot. Sales will be delivered when the Mon'y is collected in.

The several particulars claimed by Mr. Hubbard to be delivered him on his Bond of Indemnifications.

AGREED that Mr. Hubbard be permitted to ca[rry] away from the Sea Gate the abovemention'd Bales and Chest, giving a Bond to be accountable for the same if any other person prove a better title to them.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1727-28——

Bill for medicines Fort St. David paid.

Mr. Lindsay presents a Bill to the Board for Sixty Pagodas 60 for a Chest of Medicines Sent to Fort St. David which were oblig'd to purchase of him, the Compa. not having sent any out for that Settlemt. & those we have had for this place being but barely sufficient for our own use.

Order'd therefore that the Paymaster do discharge the same.

A New Contract signed for 3000 bal's. And the Merchts. requests. Ps. 30000 to be advanced them thereon.

This day the Companys Merchants having before agreed to enter upon a new Contract for three thousand Bales appear'd before the Board & Sign'd [the] same upon the Terms & Conditions of the last ; but

They representing to the Board that it woud be of vast advantage to them if we would advance thirty thousand Pagodas to them instead of the twenty agreed in the Contract ; because it would enable them to purchase Cloth faster & employ the greater number of Weavers in the Country, and there not appearing to us any manner of danger in the advan[ce of] the same.

It is allowed them.

Agreed that twenty thousand Pagodas 20000 be advanced the Merchants agreable to the terms of the Contract, and that ten thousand Pagodas 10000 more be advanc'd as a matter of favour & lye in the hands in the same manner as the twenty thousand do.

Jas. Macrae.
G. M. Pitt.
Robt. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.

To Messrs. Robert Symonds
Randall Fowke and
Augustus Burton.

Gentlemen

I beg leave now to lay before You the Reasons for my claiming [Seve]ral of the Goods open'd the other day at the Sea Gate, in behalf of my self & Mr. George Williamson & 1st. For the two Bales Mark'd I B No. 7 & 8 one of which was open'd & found to contain 133 ℔ Chittegaun Sanoes, I am persuaded these must be 2 bales freighted by Mr. John Bonkett on board the Harrison for Bussora & left on Shoar here by Mistake in Janry. 1725/6 my Reasons for which belief are as follows.

Mr. Williamson advises the Owners of that Ship in July 1726 when She return'd from Bussora, that there were at that time 3 bales of the freight Goods wanting, but the 9th. of December following he writes them that One was found, but the other two were not brought thither, in August last when he return'd hither he told me, he could never learn any thing of the two Bales missing but he believ'd they had not been sent on board in Bengall, & according to the best of my remembrance, he told me they belong'd to Mr. Bonkett I have since receiv'd a Letter from him from Bengall of the 31st. of Octor. last wherein he advises me he has been Oblig'd to pay Rupees 1385 for the 2 bales missing, he has not in his Letters mention'd the Marks of the Bales, but in the List of freight I find 8 Bales freighted by Mr. John Bonkett and Mark't I B as those at the Sea Gate are, which makes it I think very probable that these may be two of them, the Note on the inside of the Bale that has been open'd, being by several at the Sea Gate that are acquainted with Mr. Bonketts hand, thôt to be his writing, the letters taking notice of the 2 Bales wanting, and List of freight I have by me, and am ready to produce if it is desir'd, On this head I must beg the favour these Bales may not be Sold till I can get a perfect Accot. from Bengall what ye. Marks Numbers & Contents of those Bales Mr. Williamson paid for were, which will put this matter out of dispute.

For the Chest of Rosewater Markt G.W. I think that appears very plain to belong to Mr. Williamson, both from the Mark itself, the time it was brought into ye. Godown, which the Sea Gate people say was about 6 months ago, the precise time when the Harrison was last here, and by what Mr. Williamson writes me from the Bay of the

16th. of October that there was a Chest of Rosewater belonging to Coja Satur wanting, which contain'd 4 Carboys [and] being the only Chest that had Carboys, the rest being all Flasks, I have found Among Mr. Williamsons Chest and by that means one of his own is missing, which may be this now in the Sea Gate Godown.

For the Chest of Candles, the Mark of which is ea[ten] off I have all the Reason in the world to believe it to be what Sent me by Mr. Hinde on the Effingham last Year the time perfectly agrees, the Sea Gate people declaring it came ashore about a year ago, it weighs 5 md. : 22 lb. wch. is very near 2 Bengall Maund which mine [contain'd]. Mr. Fleetwood had Sent me a Chest to my Godown, together with other things he brôt. for me from Bengall which I took to be the Chest of Candles, but did not order it till the Ship was gone from this place, when it was open'd it prov'd to be Wine & belong'd to Mr. Carter, I wrote directly to Mr. Fleetwood about it to Fort St. David but did not receive an answer, but when Mr. Newton came back this last Year I enquir'd of him concerng. the Chest of Candles, he remembred very well it having been Sent on board in Bengall, but what was become of it he could not tell, for it was not in the Ship when he unloaded at Mocha, So that I hope it will appear reasonable that it was brought ashore here and kept in the Sea Gate Godown ever since and is the same Chest as is now found.

I AM
GENTLEMEN
Your very Humble. Servt.
JAMES HUBBARD.

FORT ST. GEORGE
FEBRY 9TH. 1727/8.

17 Brigantine Good Hope Robert Millen Master returned from Fort St. David, with a Genl. Letter Dated [*lacuna*].

Ship Vencatash came in from Vizagapatam.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 17TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVR. & PRESIDENT.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQR.
ROBERT SYMONDS.
RANDALL FOWKE.
CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
MESSRS. ROACH HYDE & BURTON *sick.*

[An] Attachment served upon the produce of ship Lincoln & her Cagroe.

The President represents to the Board that in the Month of June last they took a bond from Mr. Francis Rous to be accountable for the Ship Lincoln & her Cargo and to pay the produce into the Companys Cash for the benefit of the Owners of the said Ship, which not being Comply'd with, & the said Ship being now return'd from Pegue whether She was permitted to go to be refitted and Sold to Capt. Michael Jeddere, He therefore propos'd in order to Secure the same, that the Secretary do serve an Attachment on the produce of the said Ship & Cargo in the hands of the said Capt. Jeddere which was Agreed to and Order'd to be done.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
[*Lacuna*].
RANDALL FOWKE.
[*Lacuna*].
CHARLES PEERS.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1727-28——

Ship James Cap^{t}. Charles Bissell arrived from Bengall and brought a General Letter from that Presidency, dated 16 Ultimo. 18th.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JOSEPH MACRAE ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESIDENT.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQ^{R}.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
MESSRS. HYDE AND MORSE *sick.*

WEDNESDAY THE 21ST.

Augustus Burton Import Warehousekeeper reads that Acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him nineteen hundred & Eighty six Pagodas twenty nine fanams and forty three Cash 1986. 29. 43 of which he pays Eighteen hundred 1800 Pag^{s}.

Import Warehouse keeper Account for Jan^{ry}. read.

John Roach Paymaster reads that Acco^{t}. for last Month Viz^{t}.

Paymaster Account for Jan^{ry}. read.

Charges Garrison	1342	13	5
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	42	5	—
Sorting Godown Screws	34	20	75
Charges General	555	8	5
Charges Extraordinary	17	16	70
Repairs of Fortifications	109	1	60
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Fort S^{t}. David	7	18	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
	2783	11	55

Ballance due from him two hundred twenty eight Pagodas twenty four fanams & twenty five Cash 228. 24. 25 which is carried to next Months Account. And

The Extraordinary Expence of this Month arises from the following particulars Viz^{t}. The Extra expence enquired into.

SORTING GODOWN SCREWS			
Workmen &c^{a}. employ'd in making them. P^{s}.	20	17	40
Iron & Sea Coal	14	3	35
			34 20 75
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.			
Diet to 1 Prisoner as ℔ Marshals Note	—	33	50
Paid Several Persons for their Subsistance who came From Fort S^{t}. David to be Evidences in the Trayal for the Murder of M^{r}. Packer ..	7	18	—
Charges in the Execution of Peddu & Sending his body to Fort S^{t}. David to be hang'd in Chains there	8	14	20
			16 29 70
Boathire going off to Muster the Ships &c^{a}. ..			— 23 —
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.			
Allowance Mon'y to the Widow Burton & her Children			25 — —
FORT ST. DAVID.			
Wages to three Europe Sentinels who came up to be Evidences in the Tryal for the Murder of M^{r}. Packer			7 18 —
Pagodas			84 19 65

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Mint Account for Janʳʸ. read.

The President reads the Mint Accoᵗ. for last Month Ballance due from him nine thousand two hundred twenty five Rupees two Anaes 9225. 2. 0 which are carried to next Months Accoᵗ. And two hundred & fourteen Pagodas twenty nine fanams & fifty five Cash 214. 29. 55 which is now paid.

The Committee appointed to consider of methods for the better Securing the Inhabitants of this place from fraudulent practices of Supra Cargo's Captains & Others trading at Sea & taking up Respondentia, Deliver in their Report which is read & order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation.

[Or]ders made [about] Respondena.

The purport of the sᵈ. Report being consider'd it was AGREED that it be made a Standing by Law to be observ'd by all under this Presidency, That all Mon'ys paid for Concerns in Stock & Block under other persons shall be paid out of such Persons concern in Stock & Block of such Ship. And that all mon'ys Let to any Person at Respondentia Shall be paid & fully discharg'd out of Such persons Adventure or concern in the Ship on wᶜʰ. the mon'y is lent, always provided That in Case the sᵈ. Concern is not Sufficient to pay the whole Sum̃ borrow'd at Respondentia a preference Shall be given to those Creditors who have Register'd their Bonds.

ORDER'D further that to prevent fraudulent management of old Creditors who may know their Debtors incapable of paying what is due to them & therefore renew their Bonds in order to come in for a Dividend with the Persons who do really & bona fide advance fresh mon'y both Debtor & Creditor Shall declare upon Oath whether the Bond in dispute be an old one renew'd, and if it be found so that then the other Bonds Shall be first paid unless the Creditor Shall likewise declare upon Oath that he did not know the person to be insolvent. And to the intent that nobody may plead ignorance hereof ORDER'D that the Copy of the preceding Paragraphs be hung up in the Town Hall and at all the Gates, as also AGREED that we do send Copies to the Presidency's of Bombay & Bengall.

New Bamboo Ordered for the seconds Palanke'n.

The Bamboo of the Seconds Pallankeen being found to be rotten, ORDER'D that the Paymaster purchase a new one.

Gunner's petition to be paid for the Stores supplied Ship Glocе[ster].

A Petition of Mʳ. David Murray read Setting forth that he had Supply'd Ship Glocester wᵗʰ. Stores and was not yet paid for the same & praying Relief the produce of the sᵈ. Ship having been by Order of the President & Council attach'd, the said Petition is enter'd hereafter And

And his Bill to be paid.

The purport of it being Consider'd it was AGREED that Seamens Wages & Tradesmens Bills for Stores are always first paid & therefore Capᵗ. Jeddere being call'd before the Board was order'd to discharge the said demand.

A Survey Ordered of necessary Repairs at the Garden House.

The Godowns at the Companys Garden House being very much out of Repair Order'd that a Survey of them be taken by the Surveyer of the buildings & an Estimate of the Charge of Repairing them, and deliver'd to the Board as soon as possible.

General letters read.

General Letters read Vizᵗ.

from Fort Stᵗ. David.

N°. 10 from the Provˡ. Cheif & Council of Fort Sᵗ. David dated 14 Febry inclosᵍ. Invoice & bill of Lading for Bales on the Good Hope Brigantine, & advising the receipt of the last mon'y Sent them.

from Bengall.

N°. 11 from the President & Council of Fort William dated the 16ᵗʰ. Jañry inclosing a Paragraph of the Court of Directors Letter to them about the Broad Cloth, also Invoice & Bill of Lading for a Cask & a bundle of Ironmongers Ware, and desiring us to bring the Amoᵗ. of the Ship Lincoln & Cargo to the Credit of their Accoᵗ. Currᵗ. they also advise that they hope to dispatch the Europe Ships by the 25ᵗʰ Jañry.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1727-28*——

Mr. Pitt being to Sett out to morrow for Fort St. David ORDER'D that twenty Peons be dispatch'd with ten thousand Pagodas for that Settlement and that Mr. Pitt do on his arrival the Season being now advanc'd Sett about a new Contract there, & In order the better to enable him to go thrô with it, ORDER'D that a Copy of that we have made be inclos'd in our Letter together with Copy of the Lists of Investment receiv'd from Europe this year.

A Supply of cash sent to Fort St. David by Mr. Pitt and [all] Liberty given him for entering on a new Contract there and advancing money to the Merchants.

It was further agreed that he be permitted if he find it safe & necessary to advance the Merchants there as far as fifteen thousand 15000 Pagodas to lye in their hands all the Year without Interest.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that Account for the Month of January Vizt.

Custom on Goods imported	Ps.	2465	32 54
Ditto on Grain		1815	28 52
Anchorage		28	18 —
	Ps.	4310	7 26

[se]a Customers Accot. for January read.

Ballance due from him four thousand two hundred seventy eight Pagodas eight Fanams & twenty six Cash 4278. 8. 26 wch. is carried to next Months Account.

Poncala Kistna & Com Chitty Tobacco & Beetle Farmrs. pay into Cash eight hundred thirty three Pagodas and twelve Fanams 833. 12. for last Months Rent of that Farm due the 5th. Instant.

[B]etle Rent for January paid in

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash five hundred & nine Pagodas sixteen Fanams & forty four Cash 509. 16. 44 balla. of his Janry Months Account.

[La]nd Customers ballance for Janr. paid in.

Nicholas Morse Rental General & Scavinger pays into Cash three hundred seventy six Pagodas 376 on the following Accots. Vizt.

3 Mos. Butteeca Rent & Shroffs duty	Ps.	80	— —
Account Quit Rent		176	— —
Account Scavingers Duty		120	— —
		376	— —

Rentall General & Scavinger pays money into Cash.

JAS. MACRAE.
[*lacuna*].
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
[CHARLES PEERS]
AUG: BURTON.

TO THE HONBLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SIR &CA.

The Committee form'd upon a Representation of the Honble President, to consider of a proper Method to put a Stop to Disputes which frequently arise among old & new Creditors, and to prevent insolvent People from drawing in the unwary Inhabitants of this place, to the payment of part of old Debts contracted here, and in other parts, to the great prejudice of the Trade in general, We offer to Your Honr. &cs. That as we Suppose all Interest of Stock & Block or private Adventure to be Security for the mon'y taken up at Respondentia, no other Creditor can be admitted to a Dividend of a living or deceas'd insolvent persons Effects on board such ships specify'd in the Bonds, till the engagements of that Risque are Satisfy'd so likewise, by a parity of Reason, shall all people concern'd under others in Stock, be first paid out of the dividends or stock, always giving the preference of Payment in Titles of Respondentia to those new Creditors whose Bonds are Register'd.

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But as it may happen that the old Creditors, by collusive management with the Debtor, renew their Bonds to give them the appearance of a Claim on the last Voyage and So defeat the intention of your Hon^r^. &c^as^. Order; It is necessary that when Creditors make their Claims, that they as well as the Debtor do declare upon Oath, whether Such Bonds were renew'd or not, And if found to be so they Shall have no title till the Creditors of the last Voyage are first paid.

We recommend to your Hon^r^. &c^a^. to publish the Resolutions You take by fixing them upon the publick places of the City, and are

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
19^TH^. FEBRY 1727/8.

HONBLE SIR & &c^A^.
Your most Obedient Serv^t^;
G. M. PITT.
ROB^T^. SYMONDS.
JOHN ROACH.
NIC: MORSE.

TO THE HON^BLE^. JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^.

PRESIDENT AND GOV^R^. &C^T^. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF DAVID MURRAY

SHEWETH

That the Ship Lincoln about the latter end of May imported here in great want of Stores & was Supply'd by Your Petitioner to the amount of about ninety Pagodas after which being put up to Outcry She was bought by new owners, who purchas'd of your Petitioner more Stores and has paid a part thereof, but there remains due to Y^r^. Petitioner for Stores &c^a^. furnish'd the said Ship the Sum of two hundred & fifteen Pagodas—Now as your Hon^r^. &c^a^. have attach'd the produce of the said Ship in the hands of Cap^t^. Michael Jeddere for Acco^t^. the Owners of her former Voyage, Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays Your Hon^r^. &c^a^: will please to give Orders for the payment of Y^r^. Petitioner, he having Supply'd that Ship at her arrival when she had never a one to ride by, & also afterwards with other Stores without which She could not have gone to Sea, & therefore he humbly hopes that as his Effects fitted her out to be repair'd he shall not be a Sufferer now She is return'd.

22. Dispatched by Peons overland, to Fort S^t^. David one General Letter in the morning, to advise M^r^. Pit[t] setting out from hence in the Evening, and anot^r^. in the Evening to Accompany him.
23. Brig Lewis the 15 Mons^r^. Fournier, return'd from Pondicherry.
24. Ship Lyell Cap. John Hunter, Arrived from China.
25. Ship Amagri, came in from Pegue.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRYDAY MARCH 1^ST^.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. GOV^R^. PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

M^R^. HYDE *Sick.*

Money advanced [the] Paymaster

ORDER'D to advance the Paymaster two thousand Pag^s^. 2000 to defray Charges of Garrison and other disbursements of the Month, also five hundred Pagodas 500, out of the Town Conicoply's Duty for the Repairs and Buildings order'd to be Set about in Consultation of the 6^th^. ultimo.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1727-28*—

The Committee appointed to inspect & Sort the [Ingerum] Cloth deliver in their Report of the same & an Account of the valuation they have put upon it which are [Order'd] to be enter'd after this Consultation, and that the [said] valuation be sent to Vizagapatam, with directions to the Provisional Chief & Council there, to draw out an Invoice by it and transmit it to us, that we may regularly bring to Account in our Books the Cost of [Ingerum] Cloth & charges, & that they may there Account [with] Ingerum Factory for the same.

Report delivered in by the Committee appointed to sort the Ingerum cloth.

AGREED that Mr. John Sanderson who was before at Maddepollam do now go down to Ingerum to take care of the Investment there in the Room of Mr. Blunt and that he take with him for a present Supply six thousand Madrass Pagodas 6000 & the value of one thousand 1000 more in Rupees, but as we have advice that some parts of the Country are in troubles, AGREED that he Stop at Metchlepatam for advices & that in case he finds it unsafe to go to Ingerum that he proceed to Vizagapatam & advice us.

Mr. Sanderson sent down Resident to Ingerum And a supply of cash Ordered him And

AGREED that Mr. Sanderson on his arrival at Ingerum do take an exact Inventory of all the Compy. dead Stock there [and] transmit a Copy of it to us & another to Vizagapatam in order to adjust the Accot. of the two Settlements.

Ordered that Mr. Sanderson do take an accot. of all the Dead stock there belonging to ye. Compy.

ORDER'D that a List of Investment be given him agreable to the Companys indent, & that a new Muster of Longcloth Ordinary be Sent down with him and a Muster being produc'd & approv'd the same was Order'd to be cut in two & one half given to him the other to remain in our Warehouse.

A Copy of the List of Investment from England & a Muster of Long cloth ordry. delivered him.

The Warehousekeeper delivers to the Board the Merchants Accot. Curr^{t}. to the last of Febry Ballance due to them on Account the old Contract three thousand two hundred & thirty Pagodas twenty nine fanams & twenty two Cash 3230.29.22 and on the new Contract two thousand & forty seven Pagodas & nine Fanams 2047.9. — which Sums are ORDER'D to be paid them & the Accot. enter'd after ys. Consultation.

Merchants accot. Current to ultO. Febry. delivered in And the Ballance paid them.

JAS: MACRAE.
[*lacuna*].
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
[*lacuna*].
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HONBLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT STR. GEORGE &CT. COUNCIL.

THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY AN ORDER OF COUNCIL DATED [*lacuna*] TO INSPECT & SORT THE INGERAM BALES IMPORTED UPON SHIP LONDON FROM VIZAGAPATAM DO HUMBLY OFFER THEIR SENTIMENTS ON THAT AFFAIR TO THE BOARD.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

After Sundry meetings at the Sorting Godown viewing the Cloth provided by Mr. John Blunt deceas'd at Ingeram, We find the Sundry Sortments to be generally good of their kind as to the texture of the manufacture, but as those Goods were wash'd & beat at Ingeram we cannot come at the true lengths and breadths without opening them which would be a great Charge, but finding several of the Fine Goods fall Short one Inch in breadth, we have rather chose to put such a valuation upon them as in our Consciences we think will be just to our Honble Masters and not prejudice the Estate of the deceas'd Gentleman, in order thereto the Warehousekeeper has drawn up an Invoice of what is emabl'd for Accot. of the Honble

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Company to be laid before the Board for their approbation, & for what is turn'd out being to the amount of four Bales ¾ We believe may be Sold and carry'd to the Credit of the Deceas'd. We are

FORT S[r]. GEORGE
25 FEBRY. 1727/8.

HON[BLE]. S[R]. & S[RS].
Your most Obed[t]. Serv[ts].
ROB[T]. SYMONDS.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

D[R].	SUNCA RAMA &C[A] MERCH[TS].		C[R].
Cash advanc'd them ..	20000 — —	1727/28 Febry. 14	
[...]sundry times & Custom		By Sundry Goods rec[d].	
[...] to the Company.	112841 24 1	of them & Custom deducted to this	
[...nce]	3230 29 22	day	136072 17 23
	136072 17 23		
Cash advanc'd them ..	30000 — —	1727/8 Febry. 29	
		By Sundry Goods rec[d] of them Acco[t]. their new Contract ..	2047 [9 —]

INVOICE OF INGERUM GOODS RECEIV'D FROM VIZAGAPATAM FACTORY ℔ SHIP LONDON CAP[T]. ROB[T]. BOOTLE COMM[R]. VIZ[T].

Co.

CF 2 LONG CLOTH SUP[R]. FINE w[te]. 72 Long 2¼ Broad—

1	SF. 2	q[ts]. 2	8 @	Pag[s]. 60	℔ Corge	..	144	—	—
2	SF. 1	2 —	@	55	℔ D°.	..	110	—	—

ca.	cos.	po[s].		
2	4	8		254 — —

Co.

CF 21 LONG CLOTH FINE w[te]. 72 Long & 2¼ Broad—

2	11	q[ts]. 22	@ Pag[s]. 50	℔ Corge	..	1100	—	—
3	9	18	@ 47	℔ D°.	..	846	—	—
2	1	1	@		..	50	—	—
3	—	1	@		..	47	—	—

21 q[t].	42	2043 — —

Co.

CM. 4 LONG CLOTH MIDLING w[te]. 72 Long 2¼ Broad—

2	1 q[t].	1	10 @	Pag. 34	℔ Corge	..	51	—	—
3	3	4	10 @	32	℔ D°.	..	144	—	—

4 q[t].	6 —	195 — —

Co.

[L] CO. 57 LONG CLOTH ORDINARY w[te]. 72 Long 2¼ Broad—

1	30 q[t].	45 —	@ Pag[s].	30 14 42	℔ Corge.		1368	—	—
2	21	31 10	@	29 16 16	℔ D°.		927	24	24
3	6	9 —	@	28 18 —	℔ D°.		256	18	—

57 q[t].	85 10	2552 6 24

84 Bales

Amo[ts]. to Pagodas .. 5044 6 24

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT. — SATURDAY THE 9TH.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
MR. HYDE *Sick.*

The President reads the Cash Accot. for the last month ballance remaining three hundred forty seven thousand one hundred thirty four Pagodas six fanams and Seventy three Cash 347134 : 6 : 73 which is carried to next Months Account. — Cash Account for last month read.

The Accountant produces the Journal Parcels for the Month of January. — Journal parcels for January read.

Augustus Burton Import Warehousekeeper reads that Accot. for the Month of February ballance due from him sixteen hundred twenty six Pagodas three Fanams & seventy eight Cash 1626.3.78 of which he pays fifteen hundred Pagodas 1500. — Import Warehouse Account for Febry. read.

Nicholas Morse for Samuel Hyde Land Customer reads that Account for last Month Vizt. — Land Customers Account for Febry. Read.

Choultry Customs	372	22	46
Registering Slaves	2	24	—
	375	10	46

Ballance due from him three hundred sixty three Pagodas twenty four Fanams & forty six Cash which is carried forward.

General Letter No. 12. 13 & 14 from the Deputy Governor & Council of Fort St. David dated the 4th. and 5th. Inst. read, the first advising the receipt of the last Cash, the second inclosing Invoice & bill of Lading for Bales on Sloop Rama, the other advising that they have made a Contract with their Merchants for all the Species of Goods demanded from thence except the Longcloth Fine, for which they insist on the Same prices as are paid here. — Three General Lettrs. from Fort St. David.

ORDER'D that ten thousand Pagodas 10000 be sent to Fort St. David on tuesday next for a Supply of their Cash. — A Supply of Cash Ordered thither over land.

That Paragraph of the Fort St. David Letter which relates to the fine Longcloth being consider'd It was AGREED that the Fort St. David Muster being equal ours & our own Merchants not being able to provide the quantity contracted for by us at our price, it is no ways reasonableto believe the Fort St. David Merchants can provide it at a Cheaper rate, That ours cannot do it appears from experience, we not having been able to get any Fine Cloth this last year but of the No. 2 & No. 3 AGREED therefore that we will permit the Deptv. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David to raise the Price of their Fine Longcloth equal to what we pay here which is sixty Pagodas 60 for the No. 1 & fifty five 55 for the No. 2. — The price of the fine Long cloth at Fort St. David to be raised equal to that here.

General Letter No. 15 from the President & Council of Bombay dated the 23 Janry giving an Account of the Death of his late Majesty King George & the accession of his Son the Prince of Wales to the Throne & one from the Chief & Council of Surat No. 16 dated the 1st. Febry to accompany that from Bombay. — General Letters from Bombay and Surat.

Having immediately on receipt of these advices fired one hundred Guns on Accot. of the Kings death, & one hundred & one for his present Majestys accession, It is AGREED that we do on Saturday the 16 Inst. proclaim him with the greatest Solemnity by the name of George the Second, and that on occasion of the death of King George the First this Board will go in mourning for three Months. — Saturday 16th. March appointed for proclaiming his present Majesty King George ye. 2d.

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a General Letter from St. Hellena and Fort Marlbrô.

General Letter N°. 17 dated the 9th. March from the Govr. & Council of St. Helena desiring us to Supply them with Rice, Paddy, Arrack & Sugar, & advising what Ships had imported & exported there to that time.

Also one N°. 18 from the Deptv. Govr. & Council of Fort Marlbrô & Copy of that which they Sent to England on the Carnarvan, in them came inclos'd Copy of the Sales of Mr. Tempest's Effects and an Estimate of goods damag'd by the George Brigantine, both which are order'd to be enter'd in the Letter Books.

No freight to be [st]owed for the goods [y°.] George Brigantine carried over [to] the West Coast.

AGREED that the damage of the said Goods amounting to full as much as the Freight which was to be paid for them we do order in our next that the freight be not demanded.

[A] Committee appointd. to Inspect the West Coast Accounts and the Gentlemen stationed there Ordered to prepare themselves.

RESOLV'D that Messrs. Symonds Fowke & Burton be a Committee to inspect the West Coast Accounts and that they report the same to the Board, and that Mr. Nicholas Morse appointed Supra Visor and Deputy Governor, Mr. Charles Barrington fifth of Council, & Mr. Charles Gee Secretary do get ready to proceed to their Stations so soon as the Marlbrô arrives, of which the Secretary is directed to give them notice.

600 Pagodas in part of Mr. Actons Debt paid in.

The Secretary pays into Cash six hundred Pagodas 600 being so much receiv'd of Mr. Richard Acton on Acco[t]. of his Debt to the Hoñble Company.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
[*lacuna*]
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

9TH. Dispatched by Tappies overland a General Letter to Fort St. David.

10 Ship Gloster Cap. John Tye returned from Fort St. David.

Received by Peons overland a General Letter from Vizagapatam dated 14 Ultimo.

Received by Peons overland another Letter from them dated 22d. Ultimo.

16 Dispatched by Peons overland a General Letter to Bombay.

Ship Gloster Capt. John Tye Sailed for Bengall.

Ship Marlbro. belonging to the Honble Company came in from Pegue. William Montgomery [Masr.].

20 Received by Tappies from Fort St. David a General Letter dated 18.

Received by Peons overland a General Letter from Vizagapatam, dated 29 Ultimo.

21 Ship Chindadare Tagapa Nocoda came in a Ganjam.

22 Ship James Cap. Charles Bissell, Saild for Bengall and Carried a General Letter, dated 19th. Instant.

24 Patna Brigantine, Jas. Farquar Master Sailed for Bengall.

25 Received by Pattamar, overland, General Letters from Bombay, Surat, & Anjengo.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT. — MONDAY 25TH.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLEL PEERS.
MESSRS. HYDE AND MORSE *Sick.*

Mint Account for Febry. read.

The President reads the Mint Account Current for last month Ballance due from him eighty Pagodas twenty five fanams and Seventy five cash 80. 25. 75 which is now paid in, And nine thousand three hundred twenty four Rupees, twelve Anaes 9324. 12 which is carryed to next months Account.

Export Warehousekeeper Account for February.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month Ballance due to him two hundred & thirteen Pagodas thirty fanams & fifteen cash 213. 30. 15 for Payment of which Ballance and for other Disbursements in the Warehouse.

500 Pagodas advd. him.

ORDER'D that five hundred 500 Pagodas be advanced him.

Paymasters Accounts for Febry. read.

John Roach Paymaster reads that account for last month Vizt.

Charges Garrison	P. 1343	—	20
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospitall	44	22	—
Sorting Godown Skrews	29	30	40
Charges Extraordinary	9	—	—
Charges Generall	522	10	45
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Fort St. David	67	35	—
Repairs of Fortification	83	13	5
Pags.	2775	3	30

and

The Extra expence enquired into.

Ballance due to him five hundred forty Six Pagodas fifteen fanams and five cash 546. 15. 5 wch. is now paid him The Extraordinary expence in the said Account for last month arises from the following particulars Vizt.

SORTING GODOWN SKREWS.						
Workmen &c. employed in making them	P.	21	33	40		
Iron, Sea Coal &ca. as p' Storekeepers Note		7	33	—		
					29	30 40
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.						
Paid the Marshall for hanging Pedu ..			..		9	— —
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.						
Allowance money to the Widow Burton and her Children			..		25	— —
FORT ST. DAVID						
Paid Docr. Lindsay for a Box of Medicines sent thither	P.	60	—	—		
Paid 6 Soldiers sent thither & Boathire.		7	35	—		
					67	35 —
Pagodas					131	29 40

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Sea Customers Accot. for Febry. read.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that Account for last month Vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported	P. 2219	11	56
Ditto on Grain	1360	21	8
Anchorage	55	—	—
Pags.	3634	32	64

Ballance due from him Seven thousand eight hundred Seventy eight Pagodas twenty six fanams and thirty cash 7878. 26. 30 of which he now pays two thousand 2000 Pagodas.

An Account of Sales of sundries found at the Sea Gate for which no owners appeared.

He likewise delivers in an acct. Sales at Outcry of sundry odd things found, in Sea Gate Godown for which no owners appear and pays in the amount being twelve Pagodas and five fanams 12. 5 as ℔ Account particulars enter'd after this Consultation.

Land Customers Ballance for Febry. paid.

The Secretary for Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash three Hundred sixty three Pagodas, twenty four fanams & forty six Cash 363. 24. 46 Ballance of his last months account.

Storekeepers Accot. for Febry. read.

Charles Peers Storekeeper reads that account for last month Ballance due from him, two hundred twenty five Pagodas ten fanams & ten Cash 225. 10. 10 which is carryed to next months account.

Arrears paid the George Brigantine and

He also produces a list of arrears due to the George Brigantine's people amounting to two hundred fifty five Pagodas which is ordered to be pay'd, as also a bill for four Dollars paid at Bencoolen for Buckets &c. for the use of the Vessel—And

[stor]es Delivered her.

He likewise presenting an Indent for Stores for the use of the said Vessel ORDER'D that it be complyed with, and that all the three papers be enterd after this Consultation.

Hollands Duck to be sold @ Ps. 10 ℔ Bolt.

The Storekeeper representing to the Board that there is a large Quantity of Hollands Duck lying in the Storehouse, which cannot be disposed of at the High price he is limeted to being twelve Pagodas 12 ℔ Bolt—AGREED that he be permitted to dispose of the same at ten Pagodas 10 ℔ Bolt it standing on the Company's Books at no more than six Pagodas twenty Seven fanams 6. 27.

General Letters read.

General Letters Read Vizt.

from Vizagapatam 3.

No. 18, 19 & 20 from Mr. Sands Davis Provisional Chief of Vizagapatnam dated the 14th. 22d. 29th. February in the first advising that he would dispatch Mr. Blunts Vessel in Company with one of Mr. Symonds the next inclosing an account of what he had sent on that Vessel, which are Copyed after that Letter, And the other accompanying Duplicate thereof, and an Indent for Wares and Stores wanting at Vizagapatnam.

from Bombay.

No. 21 from the President & Council of Bombay dated the 2d. February desiring us to send Musters of our Cloth with an Account of the prices to Anjengo, in order that the Chief and Council there, may make an Investment, for our Honourable Masters there.

from Anjengo.

No. 22 from Alexander Orme Esqr. Chief &c. Council of Anjengo dated the 3d. of November last inclosing Sundry papers relating to the Affair of the Cotton Seized there and claimed by Sunca Ramah, all which are enter'd in the Letter Book after this Letter.

from Anjengo.

No. 23 from Hezikiah King Esqr. Chief & Council of the said place Dated 24th. February 1727/8 confirming the contents of the aforesaid Letter.

from Fort St. David.

No. 24 & 26 from the Deputy Governr. & Council of Fort St. David dated 18 & 20 of March, the first advising the Proclaiming his present Majesty and the other the arrival of the Peons with the last supply of Cash.

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N°. 25 from Mr. James Berryman at Syrian accompanying the Hon^ble. Company Ship Marlbrough, with an account of the charges of refitting her the Cost of her Cargoe & List of Freight on board her. from Pegue.

ORDER'D that the Wares and Stores Indented for from Vizagapatnam be sent on the first good Conveyance. Wares and Stores Ordered for Vizagam.

ORDER'D that the Musters of our Cloth be provided to be sent to Anjengo on the first good Conveyance agreable to the request of the President & Council of Bombay And Musters of cloth to be sent to Anjengo.

That Mrs. Symonds Fowke and Burton do examine the affair of the Cotton mentioned in the Anjengo Letters, and report the case to the Board for a final Determination thereof. [A] Committee appointd. to Examine into the Affair of cotton at Anjengo claimed by Sunca Rama.

AGREED that a Letter be sent to Fort St. David to enquire in what time they shall have a Lading of three Hundred Bales ready that we may send down the George Brigantine to take them in. A letter to Fort St. David.

Messrs. Symonds, Fowke and Burton deliver in their report of the West Coast accounts which is entered after this Consultation, whereby it appears, that for the Year ending April 1727, there is a decrease of the expences to the amount of two thousand Seven hundred Twenty five Dollars, and fifty one Cash 2725. –. 51. Report delivered in by the Commtee. apptd. to Examine the West Coast Accounts.

That See Jibb has been advanced the full amount of what Covenanted with him for, And that the charges against Mr. David Welsh are so fully proved that no excuse can be made for him.

ORDER'D that he be dismissed the Hon^ble. Companys Service from which he was before suspended. Mr. Welsh dismissed the service.

The Accountant reporting that the Journal entry's in the West Coast Books are so very obscure that they were force'd to have recourse to the Consultations to find out the meaning of several of them AGREE'D that in our next Letter thither we order them to be more full, and to explain the Cause of each Entry at large in the said Entries. [A] Remark that the Journal entries in their Books are obscure which [is] to be observed by them.

The Secretary acquaints the Board that he has received of Captain Michael Jeddre the Sum of six hundred forty Seven Pagodas twenty eight fanams and twelve Cash 647. 28. 12 in consequence of the attachment lodged with the said Captain Jeddere on the produce of Ship Glocester and Cargoe from Pegue. Produce of Ship Lincoln & Cargo by attachment paid into Cash.

The Paymaster presents to the board an account Charges of putting the Church in mourning on occasion of the death of his late Majesty, which amounting to fifty one Pagodas Sixteen fanams, and fifteen Cash 51. 16. 15 is ordered to be paid out of the Town Conicoply's Duty. Charges of putting the Church in mourning on the late Kings Death, disbursed out of Town Conicoply's Duty.

Petition from Mr. Charles Barrington appointed fifth of Council to the West Coast read, Setting forth that he hath been for some Years past consumptive, and in Wet Weather troubled with a Spitting of Blood as may be known from the Surgeons here who have had him under their charge, which State of health makes him apprehensive of going to Bencoolen, he closes his petition with an assurance that nothing else but his said ill State of health occasions his begging to be excused going thither.

The alligations in the said Petition being known to be true by most of the members of this Board, It was agreed that Mr. Barrington be excused from going to Bencoolen. Mr. Barrington excused from going to the West Coast.

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Mr. Lauder chose thereupon & appointed second [&c.]

The President then representing to the board that there was a necessity for some other Capable man to go to that place Mr. John Lauder was pitched upon, and Agreed that he be appointed Second of Council of Fort Marlborough, and Accountant and that the present Chief Mr. Robert Lennox be third of Council and Resident of Mocho Mocho.

ORDER'D that the Secretary do acquaint Mr. Lauder wth. this Resolve.

Mr English appointd. at the Sea Gate and Mr. Brackstone Sub-Accountant.

As Mr. Lauders going to Bencoolen, will occasion a vacancy in the upper Searchers place at the Sea Gate the President proposed that Mr. Richard English who has been Sub Accountant three Years Should agreable to the Company's orders be appointed thereto, and that after closing the running Books by Mr. English Mr. Edward Brackstone do take upon himself that employ.

Rent of Beetle farm for Febry. paid in.

Poncala Kistna and Com Chitty Tobacco and Beetle Farmers pay into Cash eight hundred thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams 833. 12. — for last months rent of that Farm due the 5th. Instant.

Poncala Kistna Farmer of the arrack and Wine Lycense, pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas, 335 for last months Rent of that Farm.

Town Brokers pay in six months rent.

Nundalal & Gopaldause Town Brokers pay into Cash, four hundred 400 Pagodas for Six months rent of that Cowle due the Ulto. December last.

Measuring farmrs. pay in 2 months rent.

Nundalal & Gopaldause Measuring Farmers pay into Cash one hundred thirty Six Pagodas twenty four fanams 136. 24. — for two months rent of that Farm due the 20th. Ultimo.

Messrs. Fowke and Burton appd. to take charge of Mr. Blunts effects.

ORDERD that Messrs. Fowke & Burton do take charge of the Effects of John Blunt Esq. lately deceased at Ingerum and dispose thereof at Outcry as they receive them in order for recovering his Debt to the Honourable Compy.

Account of Sallry. ordered to be prepared.

There being Six months Sallary due to the Honourable Companys Covenanted Servants ORDERD that the Account be drawn out.

Money paid into cash Accot. John Packer deceased.

The Secretary pays into Cash one hundred and Sixteen Pagodas 116 being so much received of Mr. John Hammond for produce of Mr. John Packer deceased his concern at Respondentia on the Lyell to China.

Salt and Iron Stone to be provided for Bencoolen.

ORDER'D that the export Warehousekeeper do provide thirty 30 Garce of Salt and the Paymaster forty 40 Tons of Iron Stone for Bencoolen and that the Marlbourough do Sail the 8th. April.

The Companys Merchants representing to the Board that there is a great deal of the turn'd out Cloth which may be taken in for the Company and begging that we will reexamine the same.

A Parcell of turned out Cloth to be resorted.

AGREED that the Gentlemen of Council do resort the said cloth and take in all that is equall to Number 3.

JAs. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
[*Lacuna*].
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

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Fort S^{t}. George Feb^{y}. 17th. 1727/8.

SOLD AT PUBLICK OUTCRY THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS FOR THE HON^{BLE}. COMPANYS ACCO^{T}. OWNERS UNKNOWN VIZ^{T}.

M^{r}. Rouse. Wine 80 Bottles	Ps.	3	2 —
M^{r}. John Lauder Old Shatterd Casks 2		—	6 —
Mons^{r}. Lafontain, Two old Couches & one old Trunk ..		1	19 —
Gopaldause—Tobacco damag'd one bag		1	17 —
Warrada Rangum, Beetle Nut Old & damag'd		1	3 —
Ninapa—One Cot		—	17 —
Cingane—One Chest with Old Rosewater in it		—	6 —
	Ps.	13	28 —

Deduct Cryers fees .. .. .. Ps.	—	18	—
Deduct Customs on the Tobacco which I made good as receiver in August 1724— which may be found Registerd Entry the 4th	1	5	—
Pags.	12	5	—

STORES WANTING ON BOARD THE GEORGE BRIGANTINE—

Lamp Oyl	10 Gallons.
Candles	10 Pounds.
Cotton for Lamps	1 Pound.
Hambró Lines	3

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
MARCH THE 13TH. 1727/8.

JOHN PYE.

HON'^{BLE} SIR & SIRS.

Pursuant to an order of Consul^{n}. of the 9th. Instant we have taken the several Books and Papers received from Fort Marlbrough by the George Brigantine into Examination and do now offer to your Honour &c^{ra}. our remarks thereon.

We shall first begin with the charge of that Settlement for the last year which we have compared with the preceeding year and as are follows.

Charges Garrison	11254	2	18	11035	1	93	380	3	80			
Charges General	5731	1	78	3542	3	32		..		2188	2	46
Charges Diet	4559	—	96	4499	2	83		..		59	2	13
Charges Merchand^{ze}. ..	1356	2	86	1683	—	92	326	2	6			
Charges Cattle	457	3	66	392	—	50		..		65	3	16
Charges Extraordin^{ry}. ..	1964	1	75	1004	—	15		..		960	1	60
Account Repairs	1086	—	5	915	1	4		..		170	3	1
Account Presents	119	2		None	..			..		119	2	—
Account Sallary	2218	—	66	2182	3	36	—	—	—	65	1	30
Sillebar Paggar	110	2	80	133	3	—	23	20	—			
Moco Residency	5046	2	93	5221	—	2	174	1	9			
	33935	1	63	31210	1	12	904	3	15	3629	3	66
										904	3	15

the Expences of this Settlement decreas'd this year Doll^{rs}. 2725—51 which is chiefly under the head of charges Generall and charges Extraordinary.

The accomptant there has by mistake closed the head of Gratuity money paid on Pepper by Charges General when it ought to have been carryed to the accompt of Pepper.

The charges Extraordinary are decreasd considerably the chief articles under this Head for this year are the charges of holding a Bechar, Mess^{rs}. Lennox, Gollop & Goddard, wth. ten Soldiers their passage thither and M^{r}. Torriano return hither

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which amount to upwards of seven hundred Dollars, and the remainder are for the rent of Mr. Walsh's House Expences on surveying the Plantations and other Incident charges.

The charges on Merchandize are risen 326. 2. 6 more this year than last, but that proceed from the article of Freight allowed the Marlbrô which is 750 and in last books it was no more than 300 to the George Brigantine the Difference is 450.

Having given your Honrs. &ca. an account of the Settlements, we now proceed to acquaint you with an account of the Revenue and find that the Sea Customs did produce ℔ 264 f. — ca. 50. The arrack and Ophium License at both places, ₱. 3960 amounting in the whole to 4224. — 50 The Salt License produced ₱ 540 the last year but the accomptant there having in the former books Debted the Farmers for the amount of their Cowle is the reason nothing is brought to the account of the Revenues for this year.

The arrack and Ophium License at Marlbrô is now let at 220, and at Moco Moco for 50 ℔ Mensem and there being no more Salt on hand than Sufficient to supply the Garrison till a supply arrives from this place, the Deptys. Governour & Council have given Liberty to the natives to make salt, and the payments are now ceased till such time they shall receive orders from hence.

We observe See Jibb has been advanced upwards of P. 15000 and that the Sugar and [arrack] made does not [clear] even what he is monthly advanced, but the report made on a survey of that Stock when Mr. Torriano was there in the month of July it amounted to 7494. 1. 74 and by a Calculate of what was necessary to be advanced him it was found he would require 190 Dollars ℔ Mensem to carry on the work ; and we find that Mr. Torriano in his Ins[trun.] to the Deputy Governour &c. on his leaving the West Coast enjoined them that whatever sum advanced should be for the necessary charge of making arrack & Sugar, and that the quantity made should equal the advancements and that care should be taken the arrack be good which See Jibb had faild in before.

The Depositions given against Mr. Welsh are so very plain and expressive that we are only Sorry to say that we Cannot find out the least excuse to alleviate his miscarriage. We are with respect.

FORT ST. GEORGE
MARCH 21 . 1727/8.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.
Your most Obedt. humblS. Servants
ROBERT SYMONDS.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUG: BURTON.

CHARGES HANGING THE CHURCH IN MOURNING VIZT.

to 20½ yards Broad Cloth ordry. at P. 1 9 ℔ Yd. ..	Ps.	25	22 40
to 2½ Ps. Taffatys at Pags. 5. 9 ℔ ps.		13	4 40
to 11 ℔s. Blue Long cloth at 19 Pags. ℔ Corge ..		10	16 15
to dying Do. at 3 fans: ℔ peice		—	33 —
to Black thread & Silk		—	12 —
to Taylors work		1	— —
	Pagodas	51	16 15

To the HONBLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &c. COUNCILL.

HONBLE. SR. SRS.

I have received an order in writing from your Secretary to get ready to repair to the Station appointed me at Fort Marlborough on the West Coast, I therefore take this Opportunity humbly to represent to your Honr. &cra., that I labor under very

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severe apprehensions from that Climate in regard to my Constitution, being very Consumptively inclined espicialy on catching cold, which I have always found my self most Subject to in rainy & Damp weather, and being then generally troubled with violent Coughs and Spittings of Bloud, which the Physicians of this place can testify, It is with the utmost reluctance, I find myself necessitated to apply myself in this manner to your Honour &c. upon this occasion lest it might be lookt upon to be disputing your orders or an evasion from the ready complying therewith, which I am sensible it is my duty to pay an intire Submission to. But what I have offer'd being really true, I humbly intreat your Honour &c. will please to take my Case into your Consideration,

I AM
Hon^{BLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.
Your most Obedient Serv^{t}.
CHARLES BARRINGTON.

Dispatched by Tappies a General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David 25
Ship Speedwell belonging to M^{r}. Blunt arrived & brought two General Letters, Viz^{t}. from Mess^{rs}. Davis & Simpson 27
Dispatched by Peons overland a General Letter to Vizag^{m}. 1st.
Received by Tappies, a General Letter from Fort S^{t}. David. dated the 30. Ultimo. 2.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR PRES^{DT}. — THURSDAY 4TH.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

The Paymaster requesting money for defraying Charges of Garrison &c^{ra}. Disbursem^{t}. of the month ORDERED that two thousand five hundred Pagodas 2500. be advanced him

The Pay-master advanced money.

The Warehousekeeper presents to the board the Merchants account Currant, to the last of March ballance due to them Seven thousand three hundred and Eight pagodas twenty six fanams and thirty two Cash 7308. 26. 32 which is order'd to be paid and the account enter'd after this Consultation.

Ballance of the Mer-chants Accot. Currant to Ulto. March paid them.

The Accomptant reads the Journal parcels for February and

Journal parcells for Febr^{y} read & Account of Sall^{ry}. read.

Produces the Account Sallary due to the Covenanted Servants for Six months amount^{g}. to One Thousand, four hundred Sixty five Pagodas Seven fanams and forty Seven Cash 1465. 7. 47 as ℔ Account entered hereafter which is orderd to be paid.

Mess^{rs}: Symonds Fowke & Burton deliver in their report of the Cotton Seized at Anjengo and claimed by Sunca Ramah whereby it appears that the affair hath already been referred to our Hon^{ble}. Masters, who have orderd the Payment of the produce thereof to the King of Travancore, on Sunca Ramah's Account which has been done, In the said report they propose that Sunca Ramah be obliged to write to the King of Travencore who still makes a further demand on that account intirely to desist from the same that so the Compa^{ys}. affairs may not be any further involved with that Government.

Report of Com^{tee}. appointed to examine the Affair of the Cotton Seized at Anjengo and claimed by Sunca Rama &c.

This proposal being approved Sunca Ramah was called in and told the resolution of the board that he should write such a Lett^{r}. which he accordingly promised.

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General Letters read from Fort St. David.

General Letter N. 27 dated the 30th. March 1728 from the Deputy Govern our & Councill of Fort St. David read advising that they expected to have a Loading ready for the George By that time she could get down.

ORDER'D that the Captain do get his Vessell ready to proceed thither.

from Vizagapatm.

General letter N. 28 dated 26th. February from Mr. Charles Simpson accompanying, Invoice and Bill of Lading &c., for goods on board the Speedwell belonging to Mr. Blunt and

One N 29 from Mr. Sands Davis and Councill inclosing Duplicates of the said account.

Storekeepers Accot. for March read.

Charles Peers Storekeeper reads that account for last month, ballance due from him three hundred ninety three pagodas, eleven fanams and Sixty two Cash 393—11—62, which is carryed to next months account.

Arrears of Wages pd. Ship Malbrô & Stores delivered her.

Captain William Montgomerys account of wages due to himself and Officers on board the Marlbrô from 16th. Decr. to Ultimo March presented as also an indent for Stores for the said Ship both which are order'd to be complyed with and the account enterd after Consultation.

a Parcell of old Stores to be sold at Outcry.

The Storekeepeer represents to the Board that there are Several of the Stores brought from Bencoolen by the George quite spoiled particularly the Nails, as also that the Guns and Gun Carriages &c., lately brought up from Metchlipatam being some sent thither from Vizagapatam and also very old.

ORDER'D that such of the above goods as are spoiled be sold at Outcry.

Rentall General & Scavenger pays in money.

Nicholas Morse Rentall General and Scavenger pays into Cash the following Sum Vizt.

On Account of Quit Rent	Ps. 373	26	—
3 months Butteeca rent and Shroff duty	80	—	—
12 months rent of the Garden let to Sebastian Chanda ..	70	—	—
On account of Scavingers duty	19	11	75
Pagodas	543	1	75

Mr. Peers appointd. that employ

and reads his account Currant to the 1st. instant which is enterd after this Consultation, and he being in a few days to go to Fort Marlbrô. ORDER'D that he deliver over that employ to Mr. Charles Peers.

Despatch of the Marlbrô for Bencoolen protracted.

Mr. Morse representing to the board that he shall not be able to finish all his Affairs so soon as the eighth of this month, the day appointed for the departure of the Marlbrough and requesting that he may be allow'd some further time, agreed that the dispatch of the said Ship be deferred till the 20th. of this month.

a Letter from Mr. Lauder to the Board &c.

A Seald paper Directed to this Board was presented by the Secretary which being opened was found to be from Mr. John Lauder wherein he pretends to give reasons for his not going to the West Coast, which being by the unanimous consent of the whole Board, Resolved to be Saucy trifling and evasive. AGREED that it be rejected, and that the Secretary do demand of him a plain and final answer whether he will or will not go to Fort Marlbrough, and report his reply to the board next Consultation.

Draught for the Military for Bencoo-[lan].

ORDER'D that ten Soldiers be sent on the Marlbrough to Bencoolen for a supply to their Garrison.

Cash account for March, read.

The President reads the account of the Honble Company's Cash ballance remaining three hundred twenty nine thousand, one hundred Seventy one Pagodas, three fanams and four Cash Pags. 329171. 3. 4 which is Carryed to next months Account.

Land Customers account for March, read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer reads that account for Month Vizt.

Choultry Customs	302	10	9
Ruby Brokeridge	95	6	69
Registering Slaves	1	28	—
	399	8	78

Ballance due from him three hundred Eighty Seven Pagodas twenty two fanams, & Seventy Eight Cash 387. 22. 78 which is carryed to next months account.

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The Warehousekeeper represent^{s}. to the Board that there is no twine in the Warehouse Order'd that he do purchase about Seventy Candy. 70 Candys of twine ORDERED to be bought.

There being a vacancy in the Court at Vizagapatam and M^{r}. Joseph Goldfinch haveing behaved very well there AGREED that he be appointed, Youngest of Council there and that M^{r}. Philip Tully be Secretary and M^{r}. Goldfinch admitted into C^{o}. at Vizagapatam

It not being very safe to venture money along the Coast in the month of April & M^{r}. Symonds offering bills for three thousand 3000 Pagodas on Vizagapatam, AGREED that we accept thereof for a present supply, and defer the larger till advices from thence what Sume will be necessary and till a safer time of Year. & Bills on that place accepted for a Supply of their cash.

JA^{s}. MACRAE.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
[SMA^{LL}. HYDE].
AUG. BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

D^{r}. SUNCA RAMAH AND TOMBEE CHITTEE. C^{r}.

To Cash advanced them ..	20000	—	—	By Sundry Goods receed. from them & Custom due from the Company ..	145917	19	43
To D^{o}. paid at Sundry times & Custom due from them &c.	118608	29	11				
To Ballance	7308	26	32				
Pagodas	145917	19	43	P.	145917	19	43

NB—To cash advanced Account their new Contract .. P. 30000 — —

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ACCOUNT SALLARY DUE TO THE HON^{BLE}. COMP^{YS}. COVENANTED SERVANTS FROM THE 25 OF SEPTEMBER 1727 TO THE 25TH. OF MARCH 1728. VIZ^{T}.

The Hon^{ble}. James Macrae Esq^{r}.

President and Governour	£ 200 ₱ an.	100 — —			
Ditto Gratuity	100	50 — —			
			150 — —	333 12 —	
Robert Symonds Esq^{r}. 2^{d}. of Council from 1st. Jan^{ry}.	100	..	23 10 4	52 9 27	
M^{r}. John Roach 3^{d}.	70	..	35 — —	77 28 —	
M^{r}. Randall Fowke 4th.	50	25 — —			
D^{o}. for reading Divine Service from m. d. 12 feb^{ry}. 1 : 12	50	5 16 2½			
			30 16 2½	68 16 66	
M^{r}. Samuel Hyde 5th.	40	..	20 — —	44 16 —	
M^{r}. Augustus Burton 6th. from 1st. Dec^{r}. is 3—25	40	..	22 — —		
M^{r}. Charles Peers 7th	40	..	20 — —	44 16 —	
M^{r}. Nicholas Morse 8th.	40	..	20 — —	44 16 —	
M^{r}. Stephen Newcome Senior Merch^{t}.	40	..	20 — —	44 16 —	
M^{r}. George Torriano D^{o}. ..	40	20 — —			
D^{o}. Gratuity as Secretary	10	5 — —			
D^{o}. for Reading divine service from 1 feb^{ry}. is 1. 12.—	50	5 16 2½			
			30 16 2½	68 16 66	
M^{r}. John Lauder Senior Merchant..	40	..	20 — —	44 16 —	

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Mr. Paul Foxly—Junior Merchant ..	30 ℔ annm.					
Mr. Matthew Empson D°. ..	30	..	15 — —	33	12	—
Mr. Richard English D°. ..	30	..	15 — —	33	12	—
Mr. Ralph Mansell D°. ..	30	..	15 — —	33	12	—
Mr. William Monson Do. ..	30	..	15 — —	33	12	—
Mr. John Stratton D°. ..	30	..	15 — —	33	12	—
Mr. John Bulkey—Factor	15	..	7 10 —	16	24	—
Mr. Thomas Weston D°. and Assay Master	80	..	40 — —	88	32	—
Mr. Thomas Eyres—Factor	15	..	7 10 —	16	24	—
Mr. Charles Gee D°.	15	..	7 10 —	16	24	—
Mr. Charles Barrington D°.	15	..	7 10 —	16	24	—
Mr. Samuel Parks D°.	15	..	7 10 —	16	24	—
Mr. Holland Goddard—Writer	5	..	2 10 —	5	20	—
Mr. Wood Smart D°.	5	..	2 10 —	5	20	—
Mr. Edward Brackstone D°.	5	..	2 10 —	5	20	—
Mr. John Hammond D°.	5	..	2 10 —	5	20	—
Mr. John Savage D°.	5	..	2 10	5	20	—
Mr. William Martin D°.	5	..	2 10 —	5	20	—
Mr. Andrew Pecheir Surgeon	36	..	18 — —	40	—	—
Mr. Matthew Lindsay D°.	36	..	18 — —	40	—	—
	∴		£ 611 7 6½	1358	22	13
The Reverend Mr. Thomas Wendey m. d. Minstr. to 2d. Nor. 1 : 8	100	..	10 10 6	23	14	—
The Revd. Mr. William Leeke Minister to m. d. 9th. febry. 4 : 15	100	..	37 8 10½	83	7	34
			659 6 10¾	1465	7	47

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℔ ROBERT SYMONDS.
Accompt.

TO THE HONBLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &C. COUNCILL.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

According to an order of Consultation of the 25th. Ultimo We have perused the Anjengo papers relating to the Seizure of Sunca Ramahs Cotton by the Chief and Councill of that place for his Gomasters presuming to trade for Pepper within the Kingdom of Attinga, and find that the Governour and Councill of Bombay, did approve of said Seizure, and the Gentlemen of Anjengo's reasons for so doing, This affair having been represented from this Precidency to the Hon. Court of Directors in favour of Sunca Ramah, They have been pleasd upon the King of Travencores laying claim to said Cotton in his behalf to order that the produce of that Cotton to be brought to the Credit of the King of Travancores who is indebted to the Company, This has accordingly been done and the account Sale transmitted hither so that Sunca Ramah must have recourse to the King of Travencore for so much as he has Credit. But how that King came to Interest himself so deeply in the affair is a secret we cannot easily explain it seeming inconsistent with the Companys Interest and their Orders that any person actually in their Service—supposing him to be wrongd (which we are not sure is the present Case) Should apply to the Country Government for Justice, and embroil their affairs about a Business intirely depends. between him and his employers, And we are of Opinion that Sunca Ramah entirely relying upon the Honble. Companys

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Justice ought or be Obliged to write to the King of Travancore to desist from any further demands on acco^{t}. of said Seizure, and as he in some measure mak's it appear that he has been a Sufferer either by the Ignorance & indiscretion of those he employd or by the ill management of those who sold the Cotton, it is in your Honour &c Power to represent his Case in such a Light to the Honourable Court of Directors as may possibly induce him to reexamine that Affair, and order the deficiency to be made good to him, We are

HONBLE S^{R}. & S^{RS}.
Your most Obedient Serv^{ts}.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
APRIL 4TH. 1728

ROBERT SYMONDS.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.

SHIP MARLBROUGH. D^{R}.

On Account of Arrears for my self & Mates 3½ months Pay from the 16th. of Dec^{r}. 1727 to the 30th. of March 1728 & one Lascar shipt by Captain Berriman, (the [29] Feb^{ry}. to the 29th. March 1728, not paid there.

To my own Wages at P. 18 ℔^{r} Mth	P. 63	— —
To M^{r}. Clark Cheif mate @ 12 ℔^{r} D^{o}.	42	— —
To M^{r}. Lock 2^{d}. Mate @ 10 ℔^{r} D^{o}.	35	— —
To one Lascar 1 Months & 10 days pay	2	24 —
Pagodas ..	142	24 —

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MARCH THE 30TH. 1728.

WILLIAM MONTGOMERY.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

&C. COUNCILL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

A Demand for a supply of Stores for the use of the Hon^{ble}. Companys Ship Marlborough Viz^{t}.

Small Bower Europe of 11 Inch's		1.
Rope for Lanyards D^{o}. 3½ one Coyle.		
D^{o}. for Topmast Shrouds 2½ one Coyle.		
Warping Hauser Coyer of 6 in 1 D^{o}.		
for Topsail Sheets	4¾	1.
for Cat falls	4	1.
Runing Rigging of 3	3	1.
of	2½	2.
	2	3.
	1½	2.
	1	2.
Dipsca Lines two		
Hand D^{o}. one.		
lbs		
Deep Sea Lead 32 one.		
Tallow one Maund.		
Tarr two Barrells		
Dammar one Candy.		
Oyl for Lamp & Dammar, 2 Jarrs.		
Candles three maund.		
Cotton thread for Lamp 6 lb.		
Main Sail Duck one.		

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Spreet Sail Dungeree	one.
Mizentop Sail	one.
Stay sails	two.
Jibb	one.
Duck Spair one Bolt.	
D°. for Tarpaulings Coats of the mast Rudder & Weather Cloths one Bolt.	
Twine one Maund.	
Bolt Rope needles	10.
Sail D°.	40.
Paylins	4.
Padlocks	4.
Cabin Locks	1.
Small Staples	12.
D°. thimbles	20.
Boat Oars	[...].
Dungaree Spair peices	18.
half minute Glasses	3.
half Hour D°.	2.
Tiun Lanthorns	2.
Spair horns	50.
Wood Bucketts	10.
Leather Bucketts	3.
Grapnel for the Yaul	1.
Powder One Barrell.	
Priming Powder for Small Arms [...]	
Cloth for Cartridges 4 peices.	
Bengall paper for small arms 6 quire.	
Hydes	2.
Linch pinns	12.
Worms	6.
Spunge Staves	4.
Pouch Barr[ll].	1.
files	2.
Brass Wire of all Sorts one pound.	
	lb.
Some paint of Sorts	10.
Share plank for stores.	3.
Salt	Six baggs.
Barracoes	6.
Small pen maul	1.
Hammers	2.
Gimbletts	12.
hand Saw	1.
Adds	1.
Chissell & Gouges	6.
Cord Chissell	one.
Pump nailes	1 lb.
Scupper Nails	4 lb.
Nailes of Sorts	1 cw[t].
[...ing] plain	1.
Yaul Oars	5.
Dammer pot	1.
Red bunting	1 ℔'s.
White Do.	1.
Blue D°.	1.

℔ WILLIAM MONTGOMERY.

FORT S[T]. GEORGE.
MARCH 29[TH]. 1728.

4th. Dispatched by Peons overland a General Letter to Vizagapatam Dated this day.

6th. Brigantine Vizagapatam came in from thence.

— Sloop Coma Sahab, belonging the Ponticherry, came in from thence.

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1727 NICHOLAS MORSE RENT ALL GENERALL.		Dr.	PER CONTRA.		Cr.
Septr. 1 To the amount of the Rent Roll	2618 30 —		By Cash paid in Consultation Vizt.		
To Six months farm of the Butteeca rent & Shroff duty let to Vincati *Narran* ..	160 — —		Account of Quit Rent P. 176 — —		
To 12 months farm of the Companys. Garden.	70 — —		Acct. 3 mths. Butteeka rent & Shroff duty.	80 — —	
				256 — —	
			By Do. paid Vizt.		
			Acct. Quit Rent .. P. 373	26 —	
			Acct. 3 mths. Butteeka Rt. & Shroff duty ..	80 — —	
			Acct. 12 months farm of ye. Compys. Garden let Sebastian	70 — —	
				523 26 —	
			By Do. paid charges, Servants Wages &cra. for 7 months ..	25 10 —	
			By Ballance out lying on Quit Rent ..	2043 30 —	
Pagodas ..	2848 30 —		Pagodas ..	2848 30 —	

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NICHOLAS MORSE SCAVENGER Dr.			PER CONTRA		Cr.
1727			Mar. 1	By Cash pd. in Consultation	120 — —
Septr. 1 To the amount of the Rent Roll	1110 2 —		Apr. 1	By Do.	
				By Do. paid charges feeding Buffa Servants wages & allowances for 7 months	322 20 5
			1	By Ballance outlying	648 2 —

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IN FORT St. GEORGE THIS 1st. OF APRIL 1728

℔ NICHOLAS MORSE

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQr. Govr. PRESIDENT. — MONDAY ye 8TH.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

The Secretary delivers to the Board a paper received from Mr. John Lauder wherein he Possitively refuses to go to the West Coast which is enterd after this Consultation. — A Second Letter to the Board from Mr. John Lauder.

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Upon this Occasion recourse being had to the Honourable Companys standing orders it appear'd by them that Mr. Lauder for his Disobedience to the injunctions of the board ought to be immediately Suspended from the service, but since he pleads illness, The board were inclineable to milder measures, because it is not Impossible Mr. Lauder may Labour under some decay as he affirms thô at the same time we cannot but remark that to all outward appearance he is as well as he has been for several Years past, however the paper delivered last Consultation which was then declared Saucy trifling and evasive, being hereupon again taken into Consideration it was orderd to be enterd and the Board concurring unanimously in opinion that Mr. Lauder deserved some publick mark of our Resentment it was after some Consideration AGREED and resolved that he be immediately ordered to Fort St. David to reside there without any particular employ assigned him but with Directions to perform all such services for the Company as shall be required of him by the Deputy Governour & Council there and that he do remain there till the Honourable Court of Directors pleasure Shall be known concerning him and his paper.

Proceedings thereon.

do. On Mr. Lauders refusal to go to Bencoolen there being no person here properly qualifyed for the business of accomptant, It was AGREED that Mr. Savage do continue to keep the Books there, and as they will by this refusal be likewise in want of hands which we cannot supply them with from hence, The President told the Board, that he had received a letter from Mr. Lewis Deane requesting to be entertained in the service, but that he had been guilty of so many errors in his former conduct that he could by no means consent to putting him into a place of power or trust, but that as Mr. Deane understands a good deal of the affairs of the country and is capable of doing a great deal of writing business which is what they are in great need of there, He proposed to entertain him as an occasional writer at Twenty Dollars ℔ Mensem, which proposal was agreed to, and he is accordingly entertaind as such.

do.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SAMLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

To MR. GEORGE TORRIANO

SR.

The letter I sent you this morning directed to the Honble. the President and Councill of this place containd my Reasons at large, why I could not take upon me the Station, I am appointed to at Fort Marlbrough, and as I have no hopes of recovering a perfect state of health by the 20th. of this instant, so as to be able to do the Honble. Company any real Services, there, I must in Justice therefore both to them and myself decline going, since I think it would be presumtuous in me should I go in the present ill state of health I am in and throw away my life I am

SR.
Your very humble. Servant
JOHN LAUDER.

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APRIL 4TH. 1727/8.

To THE HONBLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &C. COUNCIL OF FORT STE. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

Your Secretary Mr. Torriano having on the 25. of the last month Signified to me Your Resolution in Councill whereby I am appointed Second of Councill at Fort Marlbrô and accomptant there, & required to get ready to proceed to that Station on

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the Honourable Company's Ship the Marlbrough, I am first to return your Honour &c^{ra}. my thanks for this favour, and now to lay before you Some reasons why I cannot undertake that Employ.

I shall not take up much of your Hon^{rs}. &c. precious time in observing that the time allowed for me (being only as I am told 14 days from the Date of your order to settle my Affairs and get my Self in a readyness will be much less than what has been allowed to the other Gentlemen now designed thither, neither shall I presume to offer any thing against your order, since I am very sensible that it must be greatly for the Interest of the Hon^{ble}. Company to have honest able & good men on that Coast, and I verily beleive your great Zeal for the good of that Settlement Soon Determined your Choice, but the Misfortune is, the experience I have had in your Accomptants Office here for severall Years tells me that the fatigue of Bookkeeper at the West Coast would in a very short time demolish my Crazy fabrick. I need not tell you the first shock it mett with, was by a close application to that sort of Business at a time when there was but little assistance of that nature here, and it was but the very last June which gave my constitution, another very severe tryall with a [notorious] Feaver, in so much that upon my appearing abroad, I look'd more like one Just rose from the Dead, that one reco[vered], I beleive your Hon^{r}. &c^{ra}. and all who saw me at that time, will readily agree [with me] that this is no fiction, & I hope you will likewise beleive at this very hour, that I am far from being recovered from that Disorder, finding still such a generall Imbicility in my [Cossids] that even upon the least advance of my [feaver] which frequently happens, I find my self but in a very ill Condition to weather it when it attacks me. I have been told that as Disorders of this nature commonly make their approaches Gradually So of Course the Cure must be a work of time—indeed I have been very unfortunate this way by the removal of the Gentleman, who attended me during my illness, whereby I have sufferd by being deprived of that assistance, he could have given me by being well acquainted, with my Constitution and the nature of my Disorder whice is generally esteemd, a good Step towards a Cure, however to make up for this misfortune and to Supply this want in the best and easiest manner, I could I have for the best part of the last twelve months lived on a milk dyet and I am even now at times obliged to have recourse to it.

This then being my case even in this reputed healthful place, I cann have but little hopes of a recovery at the West Coast, which is commonly esteemd very unhealthfull, and without I enjoyed a perfect State of health there Your Hon^{r}. &c. true and just design in sending me there (which I must Suppose is to render the Hon^{ble}. Company true and faithfull services at that place) cannot be answered, for I believe it must [be] known to you and the whole world that Sickly men [are but] ill qualifyed for any business and espicialy [that] of accounts in any climate much more [so] in one for the generallity esteemd to be extreamly unhealthfull—the just sence and Consideration of this was I suppose the very reason that induced your Hon^{r}. &c. to excuse M^{r}. Barrington from going thither, in that very Consultation wherein you were pleased to nominate me, which very reason pleads, *multo magis et a forciori causa* in my behalf, since it is very well known to this place and may be made appear that my Sickness has been much Severer than his, and as therefore it would be only deceiving your Hon^{r}. &c. and in the end doing the Hon^{ble}. Company a real Injury which I would not do upon any Consideration) should I proceed to the West Coast with the infirmities of a Broken Constitution whereby I should be rendred incapable of keeping their Business up in that regular order it ought to be. So I might justly be deemed accessory to my own Death, if I did not decline going to a place generally esteemed very unhealthy, and which by a Survey of the Buildings there taken by the late Supravisor has I perceive scarce Shelter to keep people from the Inclemency's of the weather—this would be worse than going into the Hundreds of Essex to be cured of a feaver and ague. And as I am sure amongst Men of comon humanity, it would be deemed a very cruell thing in any private Man to force his servant purely because he was So to do it. So I beleive our

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Honble Masters, would be very far from compell^{s}. their Servants to risque their lives, and espicialy when by Sickness they are rendred, incapable of doing them any real service thereby, on the Contrary I find amongst their orders, which they direct Shall be stricktly observed their words are Viz^{t}. that such of their Factors or writers as Shall at any time hereafter be sick there be a particular care taken of them for their recovery at our charge and that we expect our respective Presidents Cheifs and Councils, at every Factory when they hear any one or more of our Factors are Sick, should not think it below them, from time to time to see this our Order punctually complyed with it.

I heartily wish my health was such as to leave me no room for the pleading the Benifit of this order for as we are all but Servants in common to one Master, so we ought and indeed it is our Duty to the utmost of our Power, readily to concur with one another in our Several degrees and Stations towards promoting the interest of that Master, It is to this end, this only end that all our views and designs Should tend, and none Should be more readier or more willing than myself to set this good example, could my going to the West Coast be attended and accompanyed, with any real good and advantage, to the Honble Company because my Inclinations for promoting their Interest are still the Same, and would induce me to serve them there with as much alacrity as ever I have done here would my health permit it, but as it is, I must put in my claim to their Indulgence and you will pardon me if after eleven or twelve years faithfull services here, I think my title is very just, I shall only therefore desire Your Hon^{r}. &c to put your selves in my Condition, and to Consider what treatment what favours in such a Case you might expect, and add to this the Gospel "precept, "which is, all things whatsoever, you would man should do unto you, do you even "So unto them for this is the Law and the Prophets."

I AM
HOÑBLE S^{RS}. & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Hum^{le}. Serv^{t}.
JOHN LAUDER.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
APRIL THE 4TH. 1728.

To M^{R}. GEORGE TORRIANO

S^{R}.

The Letter I sent you this morning directed to the Hon^{ble}. President & Council of this place contain'd my reasons at large why I could not take upon me the Station I was appointed to Fort Marlbro & as I have no hopes of recovering a perfect State of health by the 20th: of this Ins^{t}: as to be able to do the Hon^{ble}. Comp^{y}. any real service there—I must in justice therefore both to them & myself, decline going—Since I think it would be presumptuous in me to go in the present state of health, I am in & throw away my life.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
APRIL 4TH. 1728.

I AM
S^{R}.
Y^{r}. very humble Serv^{t}.
JOHN LAUDER.

8 Ship Speedwell sail'd for Bimlepatam in Charge of Tondell.
12 Ship Pataraheem came in from Temasseri, Hossain Cooly Nocodah.
— Ships Fizarallahi & Margaret Anne Brigantine Moreto[n] came in from Vizagapatam.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. GOV^R^. PRESIDENT. — MONDAY 15TH
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

Augustus Burton, Import Warehousekeeper reads that account for last month, ballance due from him, nine hundred twenty three Pagodas, nine fanams, and Sixty four Cash 923. 9. 64 of which he now pays, nine hundred 900 pagodas. — Import Warehousekps. Accot. for March read.

Robert Symonds export Warehousekeeper reads that account for last month ballance due to him, five hundred, ninety nine pagodas, thirteen fanams, and fourteen Cash, 599. 13. 14 for Payment of which, and other necessary Disbursements, — Export Warehouse Accot. for March read.

ORDER'D, that one Thousand, 1000 pagodas be advanced him. — Money advanc'd.

M^r^. John Blunt who Sometime since dyed at Ingerum, being indebted a very considerable, sume to our Hon^ble^. Masters, and having left no will, they as first and principal Creditors, have a right to administer to his effects, therefore it is — Mess^rs^. Fowke & Burton appt^d^. to take Charge of M^r^. Blunts effects.

ORDER'D that Mess^rs^. Randall Fowke and Augustus Burton whom we have already appointed to take charge of his effects, do take out Letters of administration in behalf of our Hon^ble^. Masters, — To take out Letters of Administration for that purpose.

Petition from M^r^. Nic^s^. Morse read, setting forth y^t^. he has for several months past, labour'd under an indisposition, which has not yet left him, and that he is under apprehensions the climate he is going to may Contribute to increase his Distemper, and in Such case desiring a liberty of returning upon the Shipping bound hether, — M^r^. Morse allow'd to return from the West Coast at pleasure if he finds his health will not permit him to stay.

Which request being Considered, it was agreed that if M^r^. Morse finds his health will not permit him to Continue at Fort Marlbrough, he be allowed to return without waiting for a particular Order for it.

Petition from M^r^. John Lauder desiring two months time to Settle his affairs before he goes to Fort Saint David, read and granted. — M^r^ Lauder allow'd two moths. time before he goes to F. St. David.

There being a Vacancy in the Councill at Bencoolen, AGREED that it be filled up by appointing M^r^. Charles Gee, fourth of the said Council and that M^r^. Joseph Goddard be Secretary there. — M^r^. Gee appt^d^. 4 in Council. & M^r^. Goddard Secry. at West Coast.

ORDER'D that the Storekeeper send the Stores on board the Marlbrough with the utmost expedition, now the Moon is over. — Stores to be sent on board the Marlbro' forthwith.

The Gentlemen of Bencoolen hav^s^. represented to us that the Surgeon we last sent them, M^r^. Des Champs, is very ill, and that the climate disagrees with him, so much as to make him resolve to come away, Should he recover, and M^r^. Douglas, who is just come from thence, being prevailed upon, thô he dislikes the place very much to return thither, in this emergency when we can get no other person fitty qualifyed for the same, AGREED that as a Consideration for his so doing, we do allow him the same dyet allowance, as is given to the Youngest of Councill there, AND further that if our Hon^ble^. Masters do not appoint a Surgeon out of England, we will call him to the first vacancy that Shall happen here, after M^r^. Barlow, — M^r^. Douglas, returns thither again as Surgeon

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Allowance to Gent: going to Bencoolen paid them.

Mr. Morse requesting the usual allowance for his passage for himself and the Gentlemen going over with him, ORDER'D that they be paid Vizt.

For the Deputy Governour one hundred 100 Pagodas.

For Messrs. Gee, and Douglas thirty 30 pagodas each,

Six Chests of Silver recd & Invoiced Pillar dollars from Bencoolen, prove to be Mexico.

Mr. Augustus Burton Import Warehousekeeper delivers a report to the Board, Setting forth, that he examined the Six chests of silver, received from Bencoolen, in presence of Mr. Charles Peers, and Capt. Pye, and that they are Mexico Dollars instead of pillar, which they are invoiced, but that the weight is right.

ORDER'D that we advise thereof to Bencoolen,

Mr. Burton apptd. Storekeeper Mr. Symonds Impt. Warehouse kpr.

Upon Mr. Morse's going away Mr. Peers being appointed Rentall General and Scavinger, AGREED that Mr. Burton do take upon him the charge of the Storehouse and that Mr. Symonds be Import Warehousekeeper.

Storekeeper advanc'd money to pay of Arrears & Impress [for] Marlbro' & George Brigantine.

The Storekeeper presents an accot. of Arrears to the George Brigantine and a Bill of one months Impress for her, as also another bill for four months Impress for the Marlbrough, which are enterd after this Consultation, and he is ORDERED to discharge ye. Same, for which purposes and other expenses in the Storehouse, ORDER'D that One Thousand 1000 pagodas be advanced him.

Beetle rent for March paid;

Poncalá Kistna, & Comchitty Tobacco and Beetle farmers pay into Cash, Eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams 833. 12 for last months rent of that farm, due the 5th. Instant.

Arrack farm rent for March paid.

Poncala Kistna Farmer of the Arrack & Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas 335 for last months rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
[*lacuna*].
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG. BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HONBLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &C. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. & SIRS.

Being in a few days to proceed wth. your Commission for the Deputy Government of Fort Marlbrô I am to intreat the favour of your Honr. &cra. that, as I have for several months past been very much out of order by an indisposition, which as yet has not left me, and as it is uncertain if the Voyage will Contribute to my recovery, or the Climate agree with my Constitution in such Case that you will be pleased to pass an order for the giving me Liberty to return to this place, upon the Shipping bound hither, I hope what I here offer to your Honr. &c. will be esteemed as reasonable, since you will readily beleive it will not be in my Power to discharge the Duty of my employ & render the Honble. Company the Service which they and your Honr. &c. may expect should I Continue under my present Indisposition.

I AM WITH RESPECT
HONBLE. SR. & SIRS
Your Most Obedt. Humble. Servt.
NICHOLAS MORSE

FORT STR. GEORGE
5 April 1728.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1728*——

To The Hon^ble. James Macrae Esq^r.

President & Gov^r. of Fort St. George &c. Council

Hon^ble. S^r. & Sirs

On the 11^th. of this Instant your Secretary acquainted me that you had been pleased to excuse, my going to Fort Marlbrô for which favour I return your Hon^r. &c. my thanks, and I am now to acquaint you, that I shall in Complyance, with your further Order proceed to Fort S^t. David immediately after I have settled my Affairs here, which will require two months time at least, having several Effects now in my hands belonging to the Gentlemen that are not now in this place, and Accounts Depending with them, I must likewise put your Hon^r. &c. in mind, that it was but very lately I laid out at the Britanias Outcry, to the amount of two thousand, Seven hundred Pagodas and upwards, in goods which are still remaining by me, Its true that money is not as yet become due, but as I have several debts owing to me I hope for your permission to Collect them in before I leave this place, In short as I have compleated my affair here I will forthwith Set out on my intended Journey, an[d] will endeavour to accomplish them in less than two Months though I beleive it will hardly be possible, I must therefore desire your Hon^rs. &c. Indulgence for that time, and am most respectfully.

Hon^ble. S^r. &c.
Your. Most Obed^t. Hum^ble. Serv^t.
John Lauder.

Fort S^t. George
April the 13^th. 1728.

Hon^ble. S^r. & Sirs.

The 6 Chests of Treasure that came by the George Brigantine, were examin'd in the presence of M^r. Charles Peers, and Cap^t. Pye Comm^dr. of the said Brigantine and my self, they were found to be Mexico Dollars, instead of Pillar Doll^rs. which the Invoice from the West Coast mentions but the Weight thereof is agreeable thereto— I am

Hon. S^r. & Sirs.
Your Most Obed^t. Serv^t.
Augustus Burton.

Fort S^t. George
15^th. April 1728.

Wages due to the George Brigantines people from the 25^th. March to the 15^th. April 1728.

Master 20 days pay	..	..	..	..	Pag^s	12	4 —
1^st. Mate	..	..	..	..		8	— —
2^d. Mate	..	..	..	..		6	24 —
9 Lascars	..	..	..	..		12	— —
1 Tindall @ 3 Pag^s. ℔ Month	..	..	..			2	— —
8 Caulkers enterd Ap^l. 6—9 Days pay	..	..				3	21 48
Carpenter 4 Do.	..	..				1	7 16
					Pag^s.	45	20 64

John Pye.

To 1 Months Impress for the George Brigan^tne April 15^th. 1728.

John Pye @ 18^p. 6^f.	..	..	..	..	Pag^s.	18	6 —
1^st. Mate 12	..	..	..	..		12	— —
2^d. Mate 10	..	..	..	..		10	— —
Sarang 5	..	..	..	..		5	— —
1^st. Tindall 4	..	..	..	..		4	— —
2^d. Tindall 3	..	..	..	..		3	— —
Carpenter 4	..	..	..	..		4	18 —
Caulker 3	..	..	..	..		3	— —
Knockquadasab 2½	..	..	..	..		2	18 —
4 Helms Men 2½	..	..	..	..		10	— —
17 Lascars 2	..	..	..	..		34	— —
					Pag^s.	105	24 —

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AN ACCOUNT OF FOUR MONTHS IMPRESS, FOR MY SELFE & COMPANY OF THE HONBLE. COMPANYS SHIP MARLBRÔ COMMENCING THE 15TH. APRIL 1728 TO YE. 13TH. AUGST.

To my own Wages 4 Mths. pay	@ 18 ℔ Mo.	..	P. 72	— —
To ye. Cheifmate Mr. Clerk	@ 12	..	48	— —
To the Second mate Mr. Lock	@ 10	..	40	— —
To 4 Helms Men	@ 3 each	..	48	— —
To the Syrang	@ 5	..	20	— —
To the Tendall	@ 4	..	16	— —
To the Noquedesob	@ 2½ ℔ Month	..	10	— —
To the Carpenter	@ 5 Do.	..	20	— —
To the Caulker	@ 3 Do.	..	12	— —
To 20 Lascars	@ 2 Do.	each ..	160	— —
		Pags.	446	— —

WILLM. MONTGOMERY.

15 Brigte. Francis, Francis Gregorio Master came in from Pegu.
— Ship Good Voyage came in from Bengal.
— Ship Salamutrezau Shaik Abdulla Anney imported from Bengall.
16 Dispatch'd by Tappies a General Letter to Fort St. David.
— Ship Brampore Jono Camalho Master arriv'd from Manilha.
17 Brigt. Malacca Wm. Read Master came in from Malacca.
— Sloop London Baril Hamilton Master came in from Bengal.
18 Brigte. Moreton & Vizagapatam in charge of Tondell each sail'd for Vizagapatam.
19 Brigte. George John Pye Master went down to F. St. David for a freight for the Honble. Compys. bales.
20 Brigt. Neptune Wm; Tullie Master came in from Pegu.
— rec'd by Peons a Genll. letter from Metchepatam dated 30th. ultimo.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 22D. JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
NICHOLAS MORSE.

Paymasters Accot. for March read. John Roach Paymaster, reads that Account for last month Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pags. 1327	14	45
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospitall	41	21	—
Sorting Godown Screws	31	25	60
Charges General	406	28	50
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Repairs of Fortifications	99	—	40
Pagodas	2581	18	35

balance due to him, five Hundred eighty one pagodas Eighteen fanams & thirty five Cash 581. 18. 35 which ordered to be paid.

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The Extraordinary expence in this Account, arises from the following particulars Viz^{t}. Extra expence reported.

SORTING GODOWN SCREWS.

Workmen &c. employ'd in making 'em	..	26	15	20		
Iron Steel, Sea Coal &c. as p^{r}. Storek^{r}. note	..	5	10	40		
					31	25	60

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.

Allowance money to the Widow Burton and her Children ..	25	—	—
Pagodas	56	25	60

The Storekeeper presents a bill of Arrears due to Marlbrôs Ships Company till the 19th. April at which time the impress paid them commences, which Bill amounting to thirty Six pagodas twelve fanams, 36. 12. — is ORDRED to be paid, Arrears to to Ship. Marlbro' paid.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that Account for last month Viz^{t}. Sea Customers Accot. for March read.

Custom on goods imported	Pag^{s}.	3521	2	72
Ditto on Grain		425	15	12
Anchorage		50	—	—
		3996	18	4

ballance due from him, nine thousand Eight hundred forty three Pagodas, nine fanams and thirty four Cash 9843. 9. 34 of which he now pays four thousand 4000 pagodas.

Petition of John Lauder read and granted, praying leave to send some peice goods to Fort Marlbrô on Account Lieutenant Hairstens and M^{r}. Fothringham. Goods licens'd for Fort Marlbro'

At the Same time M^{r}. Morse for himself, M^{r}. Gee and M^{r}. Douglas, M^{r}. Burton for Lieutenant Maskeline, M^{r}. Peers for M^{r}. Green, and Captain Montgomery for himself and Officers presented their manifests of Goods for the West Coast, which they were permitted to Send on board the Marlbrô.

A Commission appointing Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. Deputy Governour and Supravisor of the West Coast of Sumatra, a general Letter to himself and Council, instructions to himself and Captain Montgomerys sailing orders all dated this day were read and Signed. West Coast papers to go wth. M^{r} Morse signed.

General Letter N^{o}. 31 from M^{r}. John Sanderson at Ingerum read dated the 30th. March advising his arrival, and that the house at Nellipillee built by M^{r}. Blunt is useless, and desireing a Supply of Copper dubbs. Letter from Ingeram read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash three hundred Eighty seven pagodas twenty two fanams, and Seventy eight Cash 387 : 22 : 78 ballance of his last months Account. Land Custom^{r}. ball^{ce}. for March p^{d}. in.

The President reads the Mint Account Currant for last month, ballance due from him three thousand, four hundred forty five Rupees Six Anas 3445 : 6 which are Carryed to next months account, and two hundred thirty Six pagodas, Sixteen fanams, & Sixty Cash 236 : 16 : 60 which is now paid in. Mint Accot. for March p^{d}. in.

On M^{r}. Morse's Departure M^{r}. Augustus Burton was appointed Sherriffe of Madrass, and this day took the Oaths of Allegiance and of Office. M^{r}. Burton appt^{d} to act as Sheriff.

Charles Peers Rentall General and Scavinger delivers in an Account of the Sale of the wast grounds which were ordered to be disposed of for paying off the Arrears of quit rent and Scavingers duty the whole amounting to two hundred ninety nine pagodas & twenty Seven fanams 299 : 27 and at the Same time reports that Since the sales the owners of five of the peices of ground had produced their titles, and requested to have their grounds delivered to them, offering to pay off the Debts due thereon. Sales of the Wast Ground in the black town reported & Some parcels. claim'd.

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Do. restor'd.

AGREED that the said grounds be restored them they paying as a fine for their having so long neglected to clear the Arrears due thereon the Sums which the several peices of ground Sold for, but that no other claims, Should any body make them shall be allowed.

Scavingers duty to be Collected hence forward from the Owners not the Renters of houses & Grounds.

The Scavinger complaining that the renters of several Shops rated in his role quit them about the time of Collecting in the rents and by that means he is put to great trouble is collecting the Revenue, and also that the Company sometimes loose the Sums which such Shops are rated at.

ORDERED that for the future he do collect the said Quit rent and Scavingers Duty from the owners of the grounds, instead of the Renters.

JA^{S}. MACRAE.
ROB^{T} SYMONDS.
[*lacuna*].
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG. BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

AN ACCOUNT ARREARS FOR MYSELF & OFFICERS OF THE HONBLE COMPANYS SHIP MARLBRO, HALF A MONTHS PAY FROM THE 31 MARCH TO THE 14, APRIL 1728 & FIVE DAYS ARREARS FOR THE LASCARS FROM THE 15 APRIL TO THE 19 D°. & FOR MYSELF & OFF^{RS}. FROM WHICH THE FOUR MONTHS IMPRESS IS TO COMMENCE

To my Own Wages 20 Day pay to y^{e}. 19 Ap^{ll}. .	P. 12 — —	
To the Cheif Mate M^{r}. Clark D°. D°. ..	8 — —	
To the Second mate M^{r}. Locke D°. D°. ..	6 24 —	
		26 24 —
To 5 days pay for the Sarrang to 19 Ap^{ll}. ..	— 30 —	
To the Tendall	— 24 —	
To the Caulker	— 18 —	
To the Nequidob	— 15 —	
To 3 helms Men	1 9 —	
To 18 Lascars	6 — —	
		9 24 —
	Pag^{s}.	36 12 —

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
AP^{LL}. 15 1728

WILLIAM MONTGOMERY

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{T}. COUNCIL.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF JOHN LAUDER

SHEWETH

That Leutenant Hairstens haveing remitted to your Petitioner to the amount of One hundred Pagodas, and that Alexander Fothringham has sent your Petitioner to the amount of four hundred pago^{ds}. to be invested here, and sent over to them in goods from this place, and that your Petitioner haveing therefore Accordingly invested that money as ℔ the accompany^{g}. Manifest, requests your Hon^{r}. &c permission for shipping the said Goods aboard of the Hon. Company's Ship Marlbro and as in Duty bound Shall.

EVER PRAY.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1728*——

To the Honble James Macrae Esq^{r}.

President & Gov^{r}. of Fort S^{t}. George &c. Council.

Honble S^{rs}. & Sirs.

Whereas an order pass'd in Consul^{n}. [*lacuna*] July for the more effectual preventing of bad debts annually arising on the Rentall Generall & Scavingers Accounts, By the Sale of all Waste houses and Grounds, the Owners whereof shall not duly claim & discharge the Company's Quit Rent and Scavingers Duty, according to the Book of rates there set down, I am to acquaint your Hon^{rs}. &c. that after nine months Publick notice of the said order I have put up to sale by Publick outcry the following Waste grounds being in all 32, and sold for Pag^{s}. 299. 27 which is submitted to your Hon^{r}. &c. further direction.

I think proper to acquaint your Hon^{r}. &c. that five persons have since the sale of their grounds offer'd to discharge their Debts praying your Hon^{r}. &c. woud admit their Claims. I am

Fort S^{t}. George
April 22^{d}. 1728.

Hoñble S^{rs}. & Sirs
Your most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Serv^{t}.
Charles Peers.

In the Black Town Viz^{t}.

The names of y^{e}. street.	Long	broad	belonging to	lying between y^{e}. houses of	Bot by	Pa.	fa.	c
Colloway Chitty.	52	25	Mutamar ..	Verapa & Tankasall. ..	H. Goddard..	24	—	—
	33	24	Vallee ..	Etarasalu & Mutamar ..	D^{o}. ..	17	—	—
Choultry Street.	46	15	Valleapa ..	Bandygrua & Govindu ..	D^{o}. ..	10	27	—
Le fountain ..	59	51	(unknown.)	Clois Cloel & Simon Juan ..	Kistna ..	17	9	—
Seravenna ..	60	45	Rangasoy..	Narran & Serevana	Muddu ..	21	9	—
	30	24	Saunia ..	Nunde & Cundapa	Kistna ..	6	13	40
Kistnama ..	68	32	Cha^{s}. Perara	Pascol Cruz & [Man^{ll}brom] ..	H. Goddard.	13	—	—
Mundapa ..	33	26	Mutealu ..	Tilla & Nanapa	Subramon^{y} ..	11	—	—

In the Mootal Pettah Viz^{t}.

Collastry ..	150	90	(unknown.)	Grunada & Tontava Morty ..	Muta Chitty.	14	—	—
Bagalabake ..	27	18	Usaen ..	Cherosen & Mera mettaie ..	Tellesinga ..	3	31	40
Fleet Point ..	33	24	Bengala ..	Congina & Bengala	Vellapa ..	6	—	—
	42	21	Termoly ..	Mellymerkia & mangerella ..	Subramon^{y}. ..	5	—	—
Parsmulla ..	27	18	(unknown.)	Kistna & Manna	Kistna ..	2	9	—
Sea Side ..	158	90	Caushem ..	..	Yargo ..	8	27	—
	90	50	D^{o}. ..	..	Ditto ..	5	31	40

In the Peddenagues Pettah Viz^{t}.

Badria	24	11	Ramanjee.	Ramanjalu & Badria ..	Narran ..	3	18	—
Sundramina ..	34	23	Ragana ..	Regana & Verapa	Yargo ..	6	4	40
Gangaram ..	50	35	(unknown.)	Naugum Buttu & Kitsia ..	Muddu ..	11	13	40
	19	40	(unknown.)	Trevangadam & Da Chitty ..	Yargo ..	5	31	40
Baal Chitty ..	15	26	Bimen ..	Verdapa & Musalia	Ninapa ..	3	22	40
Braminy ..	18	16	Narran ..	Surapa & George	H. Goddard.	4	—	—
Sheverama ..	20	15	Taunapa ..	Muta Nasava & Mun Chit^{y} ..	Nurama ..	4	—	—
	29	12	Adamulla..	Moorty & Seranga Chitty ..	Narran ..	10	31	40
Juggamulla ..	160	51	(unknown)	Andee & Colundra	Marreapa ..	20	18	—
Nullamullely ..	30	38	Ramapa ..	Cunda & Crua	Ditto ..	8	9	—
	24	32	Mullia ..	Shavasangrum & Pund^{rm}. ..	Narsama ..	7	4	40
	18	34	(unknown)	Man^{ll}. & Taunapa Chitty ..	D^{o}. ..	4	22	40
	11	33	Paretombe.	Chinnana & Domin^{go}. Rozair.	Kistna. ..	4	9	—
Tombee Chitty.	58	22	Nullamuttu	Chilleande & Yoman	H. Goddard..	14	—	—
Nanapa ..	28	57	Dausary ..	Moortana & Pereana	Ditto ..	8	—	—
	39	60	(unknown)	Chinnatombe & Pudda ..	D^{o}. ..	10	—	—
Weavers ..	36	56	Sealum ..	Yanen & Mutten	Subramon^{y}. ..	7	9	—
				32 peices of Ground Sold for Pag^{ds}.		299	27	—

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GROUNDS CLAIMED BY BILLS SINCE THE SALES—

long	brod			
60	45	sold for P. 21	9	claim'd by Rangasoy the Same Day.
52	25	24		Com Chitty the next day.
158	90	8	27	Caushem D°.
160	51	20	18	Amarustuka 5 Days after.
59	51	17	9	Muta Chitty D°.

24 Ship Nostra Senhora de Conceptaô, Mon^r. de la Fontaine arriv'd from Macao.
— rec'd by Peons a Gen^ll. Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 4^th.
— Ship Marlbro' Cap^t. W^m. Montgomery sail'd for Fort Marlbro' w^th; Nicholas Morse Esq^r. Supravisor by whom we sent a packet.
26 Sloop London Bacil Hamilton Master went to the S°: ward
27 Ship Bethlehem belonging to Coja George Arrivd last from Pegu having lost her passage to the Maldivees.
— rec'd by Tappies a Gen^ll. Letter from F^t: S^t. David 25^th.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY MAY 1^ST.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R. GOV^R. PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Gen^ll. Letters read. from Vizagapatam, and

General Letters read Viz^t.

N. 32 from the Prov^l. Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 4^th. April inclosing invoice of the Ingerum cloth received on the London of which there then came only a rough Sketch because the cloth had not been Sorted.

Fort S^t. David.

N. 33 from the Deputy Governour and Councill of Fort S^t. David dated 25 April desireing leave to sell some effects of M^r. Vezians to pay his Debts and also that we will send them some Red cloth and Velvet to refit their state Palankeen,

ORDERED, that the Warehousekeeper do Send the Same and

M^r. Vezians Effects to be sold towards payment of his debts.

That the Deputy Governour & Councill do Sell M^r. Vezians effects to pay his Debts and that if any overplus remain they pay it into the Company's Cash.

Journal Parcels for March read.

The Accomptant reads the Journ^l. parcels for the month of March.

Money adv^d. Paymast^er.

ORDERED to advance the Paymaster two thousand, five hundred 2500 pagodas to defray charges Garrison, and other Disbursements of the month.

Accot. remains in the Storehouse d^d by M^r, Hyde over to M^r. Peers.

M^r. Samuel Hyde late Storekeeper this day produced, the Account remains in the Storehouse the last of December, as Delivered over by him to M^r. Charles Peers, which account was interchangably signed by them, the reason it was not Sooner done is the long illness M^r. Hyde has been afflicted with.

Merch^ts. Ball^ce for [April] paid them.

The Warehousekeeper presents the Merchants account Currant to the last of April ballance due to them ten thousand one hundred twenty four Pogodas, thirty one fanams, and seventy four Cash 10124—31—74 which is ordered to be paid, and the Account to be entered after this Consultation.

JA^S. MACRAE.
ROB^T. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^LL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1728*—

Dr.		Sunca Rama &c^a. Merchants.			Cr.
1728					
Apr. 30th.	To Cash advanc'd ym.	20000 — —	Ap. 30th.	By goods received from them and Custome	
	To Do. paid at Sundry times ..	126432 11 37		&c.	156557 7 31
	To Ballance ..	10124 31 74			
	Pags.	156557 7 31			

N.B.

Advanced them Account
of their new Contract P. 30000

Errors Excepted
℔ Robert Symonds
Expt. Warehº.keepr.

Genll. Letters to Vizagapatam, Ingeram & Ft. St. David of this day's date dispatch'd by Peons. May 1st.

rec'd by Tappies a Genll. letter from Ft. St. David dated 29th. ultimo. 2d.

dispatch'd by Tappies a Genll. letter to Ft. St. David. 3

Sloop Eagle Frederick Bornholt Master arriv'd from Bengall. 4

Brigte. George John Pye Master came in from Ft. St. David wth. a general Letter dated the 2d. Inst.

Brigte: Malacca sail'd for Bengal Wm: Read Master. 6

Ship Brampore Alexander Camalho sail'd for Bengal. 10

Ship Margaret Anne John Hunt Master sail'd for Vizagapatam. 11

Ship Decker Capt. Richd. Upton arriv'd from Surat having on board Mr. Adams & his family. —

Ship Shaw Allum Capt. wm: Shatbolt arriv'd from Surat. —

Ship Tellicherry Grab Capt. Henry Jordan arriv'd from Persia. 14

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esqr. Govr. President — Tuesday 14th.
Robert Symonds. — John Roach.
Randall Fowke. — Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. — Charles Peers.

Robert Symonds Export Warehº.keeper reads that Account for last month Ballance due to him eighty seven Pagodas twenty one fanams and twelve Cash 87—21—12 for payment whereof and of money due to the Dyers & for other Disbursements. Ordered that five hundred 500 Pagodas be advanced him. Export &

Augustus Burton Import Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month; Ballance due from him, which he now pays in five hundred eighty Six Pagodas, twelve fanams & seventy SevenCash 586—12—77. Import Warehouse Accot. for April read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer reads that account for last month Vizt. Land Custors. Accot. for April read.

Choultry Customs	Pags.	497 18 49
Ruby Brokerage		171 27 18
Registring Slaves		5 4 —
	Pags.	674 13 67

ballance due from him Six hundred Sixty two Pagodas twenty seven fanams and Sixty seven Cash 662—27—67 which is carryed to next months account.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1728—

Cash Accot. for April read.

The President reads the Cash Account for last month, Ballance remaining three hundred and twenty Thousand five hundd. & forty five Pagodas thirty fanams, and forty three cash P. 320545 : 30 : 43, which is carryed to next months Account.

2 Genll letters from Fort St. David read.

General Letter N°. 34 dated 29th. April from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David read to advise the Arrival of the George Brigantine—And N. 35 dated 2d. May inclosing Invoice, and Bill of Lading for two hundred and Eighty bales on board her.

a moths. rent of the Arrack farm pd. in.

Poncala Kistna Farmer of the Arrack & Wine Lycense pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas 335, for last months rent of that Farm due the 5th. Instant.

Six moths. rent of the fishing farm pd. in.

Pasqual Diego &ca. Fishing Farmrs: pay into Cash twenty five Pagodas for Six moths. rent of that Farm due the 25th. March last—

JAs. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.

15 Ship Betty Capt. James Grimes arriv'd from Bengal.
— Letter from Vizagapatam dated 29th. April Came to hand by Peons.
18. Ship Shaw Allum Capt. Wm. Shotbolt sail'd for Bengal.
19. Sloop Rama came in from Ft. St. David wth. bales & a genll. letter dated 17th. Inst

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY YE. 20TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Sea Cutomers. Accot. for April read.

Randal Fowke Sea Customer reads that Account for last month, Vizt.

Custom on goods imported	Ps.	1864	34	40
Ditto on Grain		382	29	16
Anchorage		35	—	—
	Ps.	2282	27	56

ballance due from him Eight Thousand & ninety four Pagodas, two fanams, and ten cash 8094 : 2 : 10 of which he pays three thousand pagodas 3000.

Paymasters Accot. for April read.

John Roach paymaster reads that Account for last month Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Ps.	1315	15	10
Charges Cattle		66	24	—
Charges Hospitall		40	3	—
Sorting Godown Screws		38	3	45
Charges Generall		427	35	50
Bombay Presidency		25	—	—
Charges Diett		583	12	—
Fort Marlbrough		25	10	—
New Magazine		100	1	—
Repairs of Fortifications		67	23	55
Pagodas ..		2689	20	—

Ballance due to him one hundred eighty nine pagodas, & twenty fanams 189 : 20— which is ORDERED to be payd.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1728* —

The Extraordinary Expence in the Paymasters Account arises as hereunder. Extra Expences reported.

SORTING GODOWN SCREWS.			
Workmen &c^{a}. employed in makeing	23 11 60		
Iron & Sea Coal as ℔ Storekeepers note	14 27 65		
		38	3 45
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.			
Allowance money to the Widow Burton & her Children		25	— —
FORT MARLBROUGH.			
Advanced a months pay to 10 Soldiers sent thither.	25 — —		
Boathire carrying them of 2 boats	— 10 —		
		25	10 —
NEW MAGAZINE.			
Workmen employ'd in digging the Foundations & a Trench &c.	35 25 40		
Bricks and Chinam	64 11 40		
		100	1 —
Pagodas		188	14 45

The Secretary Reports that he hath Received of M^{r}. Richard Acton Six hundred 600 Pagodas in further part of his Debt to the Honble Company. 600 Pa. in further part of M^{r}. Actons debt p^{d}. in.

The President reads the mint Account Current for last month, ballance due from him Six thousand four hundred, and five Rupees, five anas 6405–5 which are carried to next months Acc^{t}. and four hundred & thirty pagodas, thirty one fanams, and Seventy five cash 430–31–75 which is now paid into cash. Mint Accot. for April read.

Poncala Kistna & Com Chitty Tobacco and Beetle Farmers pay into cash Eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams 833 : 12 for last months rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant. a Moths. rent of the betle farm p^{d}. in.

General Letters read Viz^{t}. Letters read.

N. 36 from the Provisional Cheif and Councill of Vizagapatam dated the 29 April, adviseing the payment of the Bill remitted them for three thousand pagodas, desireing a Supply of cash to the amount of fifteen thousand pagodas, and forty thousand Rupees, for the Investment, and expence of the Year, and promising five hundred Bales, this Season. from Vizagapatam.

N^{o}. 37 from the Deputy Governour and Councill of Fort S^{t}. David, dated 17 May inclosing Invoice, and bill of Loading for Seventy four bales, sent us on the Ramah. Fort St. David.

Nandalal & Gopaldauze farmers of the measuring Duty pay into cash, one hundred thirty Six pagodas, twenty four fanams 136 : 24 : — for two months rent of that farm due the 20th. last month. Two moths. rent of the measuring farm p^{d}. in.

The Storekeeper presents to the board an Account of sundry Stores leaked wasted broke lost by rust and drying &c amounting in the whole to two hundred and eleven pagodas, twenty two fanams, and forty eight cash 211 : 22 : 48 which he request may be wrote off to Profit and Loss, the said Account is enter'd after Consultation, and the Several items thereof being examined were allowed to be so wrote off. Stores for the year wrote off.

JA^{S}. MACRAE.
[*Lacuna*]
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG : BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1728* —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 27TH. JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERR. PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Money pd. into Cash Accot. Ship Lincoln.

The Secretary Reports that he has received of Mr. Rous in further part of the produce of Ship Lincoln and Cargoe Three hundred 300 Pagodas.

A years Interest pd. the Jesuits on their money.

The Attorney for the Jesuit Missionarys in China requesting payment of their annuity due the 1st. of April last, amounting to twelve hundred 1200 Pagodas, ORDERED that it be paid.

Land Custom. ballce. for April paid.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into cash six hundred, sixty two pagodas twenty Seven fanams, and Sixty seven cash 662 : 27 : 67 ballance of his last months Account.

Storekeepers Accot. for April read.

Charles Peers Storekeeper, reads that Account for last month ballance due from him, five hundred, ninety two pagodas, seventeen fanams and ten cash 592 : 17 : 10 which he now pays in.

Impt. Warehouse dd. over to Mr. Symonds by Mr. Burton & Storehouse to Mr. Burton by Mr. Peers.

Account remains of the Import Warehouse delivered over to Mr. Symonds by Mr. Burton and of the Storehouse delivered over to Mr. Burton by Mr. Peers, were this day interchangeably signed.

General Letters

General Letters read Vizt.

from Bombay & Ingeram.

No. 38 from the President and Counll. of Bombay dated 12 April and No. 39 from Mr. John Sanderson at Ingeram, who complains of the scarcity of Dubbs and dearness of Cotton.

Journal parcells for the month of April read.

JAS. MACRAE.
[*Lacuna*].
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG : BURTON.
CHAS. PEERS.

21 Ship Cumberland Galley Capt. David Hunter arriv'd from Bussorah.
22 Ship Hertford Captn. Francis Nelly arriv'd from Surat & brot. a Genll. letter from Bombay dated 12th. April.
24 Brigt. Neptune Wm. Tullie Master sail'd for Sadrass.
25 Ship Elizabeth Bevis Pickett Master arriv'd from Surat.
— rec'd by Peons a general letter from Ingeram.
— Sloop Eagle Frederick Barnholt Master sail'd for Bengal.
26 Ship Nossa Senhora de Pegna arriv'd from Macao.
27 Brigt. Neptune. return'd from Sadrass.
28 Ship Miramadul belonging to the Patans, came in from Kristnapatam.
— Brigte. Hallifax Wm. Hunt Master arriv'd from Cochin.
29 rec'd by Tappies a general letter from Ft. St. David dated 27th. Inst.
— Sloop Rama return'd to Fort St. David.
— Ship Southgate Capt. Richd. Pearce arriv'd from Surat.
30 Ship Hydaree arriv'd from Persia Moloccamolle Nocodah.
31 Ship Cumberland Galley Capt. David Hunter sail'd for Bengal.

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1 Ship Petersfield Capt. Wm. Plumb arriv'd from the West Coast.

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Ship Venaick arriv'd from Mangalore on the Malabar Coast. —
Ship Salamud arriv'd from D°. Coast, from Calicut. 2
Brig^te. Hallifax W^m. Hunt Masters sail'd for Bengal. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R.	GOV^R. PRESID^T.	MONDAY THE 3^D.
ROBERT SYMONDS.	JOHN ROACH.	
RANDALL FOWKE.	SAM^LL. HYDE.	
AUGUSTUS BURTON.	CHARLES PEERS.	

The President reads the Acco^t. of the Honble Companys Cash for last m^th. ballance remaining three hundred and thirteen thousand, five hundred, and thirty three Pagodas thirty two fanams, and eighteen Cash P. 313533: 32: 18 which is carryed forward. Cash Acco^t. for May read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer reads that Account for last month Viz^t. Land Customers. Acco^t. for May read.

Choultry Customs..	P. 507	15	79
Ruby Brokeridge	494	13	13
Registring Slaves	5	12	—
	1007	5	12

ballance due from him nine hundred ninety five pagodas nineteen fanams & twelve cash 995 : 19 : 12 which is carryed to next months Account.

The Paymaster requesting money for defraying charges Garrison, and other disbursements, ORDERED that two thousand five hundred pagodas 2500 be advanced him. Money advanc'd the Paymaster.

ORDERED that the Warehousekeeper do advise Captain Nelly of the Hertford, that we shall put his charterparty proportion of Red Wood on board his ship and that therefore he do get her ready with the utmost Expedition. Redwood order'd on board the Hertford.

The Warehousekeeper produces the Merchants Account Currant, as entered hereafter, ballance due to them five thousand three hundred and Sixty pagodas, Sixteen fanams, & Seventeen cash 5360 : 16 : 17 which is ordered to be paid. Merch^ts. ballance for May p^d.

He also reports, that the Merch^ts. are in advance, five hundred 500 pagodas for so much paid the washers, more than they have received, which they request payment of. Money advanc'd Warehousekr^s. Acco^t. Washers & Painters.

ORDERED, that five hundred pagodas 500 be paid him on that Account and that one thousand 1000 more be also paid him to advance them for the washers, he likewise requests five hundred pagodas 500 for disbursements in the Warehouse, and for the Painters.

M^r. Symonds offering a bill of Exchange on Vizagapatam, for one thousand Pagodas, AGREED that it be accepted and that one thousand Madrass pagod^s. be paid him for the Same. A bill accepted on Vizagapatam

General Letter from the Deputy Governour of Fort S^t. David, dated the 27^th. ult°. giving an Account that the Cowle for their weighing and measuring farm is expired, and that after Some difficulty, they had found a person, who would take it at the old rate, they also, desire a Supply of cash. Gen^ll. letter from Fort S^t. David.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1728* —

Ft. St. David Cowlee for weighing. & measing lett & Supply of Cash orderd.

AGREED, that the Deputy Governr. and Councill of Fort St. David may let the Said farm at the terms proposed in their Letter, and that Ten thousand 10000 pagodas be sent down thither overland on Wednesday next.

JAS: MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
STLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

DR. TO SUNDRY ACCOTS. Pags. 211 : 22 : 48

PROFIT & LOSS for the following Stores lost in the Weight by rust & drying. leak'd, wash'd away & broke &ct: Vizt.

	Ca.	md.	lb.	ca.	md	lb			
BEESWAX 1 : 12 : 7 worm eaten in				4	11	5¾			
							P. 3	—	—
GENERAL STORES Vizt.									
half minute glasses 2 broke				—	4	40			
Spare lanthorn Glasses 3 De.				—	7	40			
Mawles 5 rusted in ..			lb.	—	6	20			
Scupper Nails 10½ Do. ..			lb.	—	18	10			
Steel 6 do.			lb.	—	9	—			
hooks 8 do.			lb.	—	10	40			
Iron Crows 14 do. ..				—	17	40			
hoop Iron 7 Do. ..			lb.	—	—	37			
							2	1	67
	C.	qr.	lb.	C.	qr.	lb.			
IRON EUROPE 3 — 15 rusted in				313	1	14			
is 1 ℔ [Ct.]							6	25	25
NAILS 3 1 12 do. in				535	3	7			
is 1 ℔ [Ct.]							26	28	25
BOLT IRON 1 1 21 do. in				143	3	14			
is 1 ℔ [Ct.]							4	30	50
ROD IRON 2 do.				9	3	16			
is 1 ℔ [Ct.]							—	1	60
CORDAGE EUROPE 17 1 26 dry'd in				1166	1	15			
is 1½ ℔ [Ct.]							58	16	33
			Gall						
TARR 1 barrel & 25 leak'd out in 35 : 5½ ..							4	33	30
	Couldrum.		gall. bks.						
Sea Coals 1 & 30 wash'd in 49 : 13 ..							7	3	60
GUNNERS STORES Vizt.									
Iron Granado shells 81 broke							7	25	45
Ship Carriages 6 worn out							28	28	59
Fusees 288 worm eaten & split in dri[ing].							3	14	—
Mortavanjar 1 broke							4	—	—
Ashen staves 73 broke in using & worm eat.							13	10	12
Country hand spikes 212 broke in using ..							10	21	48
Powder barrels 37 decay'd							12	12	—
Pouch barrel 1 Do.							—	8	—
Powder horns 37 eat up wth. worms ..							4	20	61
Wooden mallets 36 broke & worm eaten ..							2	13	48
Wooden Letters 72 Do.							—	24	72
Melting ladles 7 eaten up wth. rust ..							1	29	1
Dripping ladles 6 do.							1	3	14
Short Nippers 12 do. & broke							3	9	30
Priming Irons—94 do.							1	—	48
Sheers 1 pair do.							—	10	—
Quoins 34 decay'd							1	32	—
Copper ladle & worm 1 broke							—	9	73
Rammers 2 do.							—	3	67
							97	25	18
						Pags.	211	22	48

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1728—

1728—19

Dr. SUNCA RAMA & TOMBY CHITTEE **Cr.**

1728		Ps.							
May 31st.	To Custom at 5 ℔ Ct. on 10683 : 13 : 72		534	6	8				
	To Moortee & Washers for washing the Cloth wch. is turn'd out		20	6	50				
	To ballance		5360	16	17				
		Pags.	5914	28	75				

1728		Cor.						
May 31st	By Sundry goods rec'd this moth. Vizt.							
	Longcloth Ordry. Vizt.							
	No. 1. [2 qt.] 3 at 31½ ℔ Corge ..	94	18	—				
	2. 16 24 30¼	726	—	—				
	3. 46 69 29	2001	—	—				
	64 qt. 96 —				2821	18	—	
	Longcloth Fine Vizt.							
	No. 2 4 qt. 8 at 55 ℔ Corge ..	440	—	—				
	3 5 10 50 Do. ..	500	—	—				
	9 qt. 18				940	—	—	
	Salampores Vizt.							
	No 2 3 qt. 15 at 27 ℔ Cor.	405	—	—				
	3 6 30 25 Do.	750	—	—				
	9 45				1155	—	—	
	Ginghams.							
	No. 1 1 qt. 6-5 at 24 ℔ Cor.	150	—	—				
	2 4 25 22	550	—	—				
	5 31·5				700	—	—	
	Morees Ordry.							
	No. 2 1 qt. 8 at 17½ ℔ Cor.				140	—	—	
							5756	18 —
	88 bales.							
	By Custsom on Pags. 5756-18 being for 2¾ ℔ Cent on the above Accot.						158	10 75
						Pags.	5914	28 75

N.B.

To Cash advanc'd them on Accot. their new Contract .. 30,000 — —

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ ROBERT SYMMONDS
Expt Warehousekeeper.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1728——

3 Dispatch'd by Tappies a letter to Ft. St. David from the Secry.
4 dispatch'd by Peons genll. letter to Vizagapatam & Ingerram of this date.
5 dispatch'd by Tappies a general letter to Fort St. David.
8 rec'd by Tappies a Genll. from F. St. David dated the 6th.
— Ship Betty Capt. James Grimes sail'd for Bengal.
9 brigte: Mahomuddee arriv'd from the Malabar Coast.
— Sloop Oumasahab Miguel Pilote sail'd for Bengal.
10 Brigte. Amity John Widdrington Master arriv'd laste from Maskareen, having been seis'd by the French there in her way to Mosambique.
— Ship Bengal Mercht. Capt: Thomas Feame arriv'd from Surat.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 10TH. JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVR: PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

General Letters from Ft. St. David.

General Letter No. 41 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 6th. June read, advising that their Hospital was so bad, that they were forced in the last Monsoon to remove the Sick into the barracks which was extreamly troublesome as set forth in a representation from their Surgeon both as it exposed the Sick to the noise which is unavoidable from the Guard in the performance of their duty, and also as it rendred those Soldiers who were well, liable to be infected, with Contagious Distempers, They likewise send inclosed, survey of the old Hospital, and an account of what the materials, will sell for if a new one be made and an estimate of the charge of repairing it if that be ordered to be done, They also propose to make their present Barracks into an Hospital and build new ones at the Fort gate by which means the Soldiers will be close to their guard whereas they now Sleep at a Considerable distance from it. Estimates of the charge of these alterations are also inclosed. In the same letter is an account of Stores &c. to be wrote of to profit and Loss which being greater than usual they desire orders about.

an Hospital allow'd to be rebuilt there & some other alterations in buildings.

The necessity of repairing or rebuilding the Hospital being apparent, and the alterations proposed by the Gentlemen at Fort S. David being not only much more convenient but also cheaper than repairing the old house, AGREED that we do permit them to be set about.

Accot. Stores for the year allow'd to be wrote off.

The amount of the Profit and Loss in the Storekeepers account is two hundred and forty Pagodas twenty eight fanams and twenty two Cash P. 240–28–22 of which on perusal it was found that one hundred and eleven pags. 111 was for a new Standard for the Flag Staff the old one being rotten and taken down by order of Councill, forty Pagodas 40 for a Mussoola, stranded in a storm, and forty-eight Pagodas 48 for two Gun carriages, Condemned on a Survey, all which appearing to be no neglect of the Storekeepers, and the several other small articles in the account to be such things as cannot be avoided, AGREED, that we permit them to write off the whole.

[A] Supply of Cash orderd to Fort St. David.

ORDERED, that Ten thousand Pagodas 10000 be sent to Fort St. David, overland on Wednesday next.

The Gentn. at Fort St. David order'd to sort on the new contract by the new musters received from England.

The Gentlemen at Fort St. David being enterd on their new contract, AGREED, that we order them to sort the Ordinary Cloth by their new musters received out of England, and to send up the old ones hither.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1728*——

The President represents to the Board that the French Ships have brought out a pretty deal of Silver, and proposes Since we have so very large a Cash by us to purchase a quantity of it thereby to enable us the better to supply Bengall and save the large Interest anually paid there.

This Proposal was readily AGREED to as tending Manifestly to the Interest of our Hon^ble^. Masters and the President was Desired to treat w^th^. the French about it, and to purchase a quantity if to be had at a Reasonable price.

Sundries scis'd at the Choultry to be sold. & the produce divided as usual.

The Land Customer reports that his people at the Choultry have seized twenty six peices of Moorees and one hundred & fifty pounds of Indigo, which were run into the Bounds.

ORDERED, that they be sold, and the produce divided, One half to the Company and the other half to the Informer.

JA^s^. MACRAE.
[*lacuna*]
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^mL^. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

dispatch'd by Tappies a general letter to F^t^. S^t^. David.	10TH.
Ship Salamud Rezau belonging to the King of Pegue sail'd for Pegue.	11
rec'd by Tappies a general letter from F^t^. S^t^. David.	—
Ship Arnagri Capt^n^. J^n^. Powney sail'd fer Siam.	12
Sloop London Bazil Hamilton came in from the S^o^.: ward.	13
Ship Venkast saild for Arracan.	—
Ship Pondichery Mon^r^. Sinquene arriv'd from Pondicherry.	14
Ship Tellicherry Grab Cap^t^: Henry Jordan saild for Bengal.	15
Ship Venaick belonging to the Malabars saild for Bengal.	17

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. GOV^R^. & PRESID^T^. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

MONDAY 17TH.

Mint Accot. for May read.

The President reads the Mint Account Currant for last month. Ballance due from him five thousand, one hundred forty seven Rupees two annaes R^s^. 5147: 2 which are carried to next months Account, and one hundred Sixty Seven Pagodas, thirty five fan^s^. & twenty cash 167–35–20 which are paid into cash.

Export Warehouse Accot. for May read

Randall Fowke for Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper reads that account for last month, Ballance due from him one hundred, thirty six Pagodas nine fanams & eight cash P. 136: 9: 8 which is carried to next months account.

Import Do.

He also reads the Import Warehouse Account for M^r^. Symonds, for Ballance of which is due from the Warehouse Keeper, two thousand & Seventy Pagodas, four fanams, and eighteen cash P. 2070: 4: 18 in part of which is now paid Two thousand 2000 Pagodas.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1728——

Paymasters Accot. for May read.

John Roach Paymaster, reads that Account for last month Vizt.

Charges Garrison	P.	1290	19 40
Charges Cattle		66	24 —
Charges Hospitall		44	2 —
Sorting Godown Skrews		32	15 —
Charges General		390	1 —
Bombay Presidency		25	— —
Charges Extraordinary		1	— —
Charges Diet		583	12 —
New Magazine		309	35 —
Repairs of Fortifications		108	12 50
Pags.		2851	13 10

Ballance due to him three hundred fifty one Pagodas thirteen fanams, and ten cash P. 351: 13: 10 which is now paid him

Extra Expence examin'd.

The Extraordinary expence in this Account was upon Examination found to arise from the following particulars Vizt.

SORTING GODOWN SKREWS			
Workmen &c. employed in making em ..	23	2 —	
Iron Steel Seal Coal as ℔ Storekeepers note ..	9	13 —	
			32 15 —
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY			
Allowance money to the Widow Burton & her Children			25 — —
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY—			
Christning a Soldiers Child			1 — —
NEW MAGAZINE			
Workmen employed, in digging a Trench & the Foundations Building &ct. as ℔ Account ..	80	— —	
Materials used as ℔ Account	229	35 —	
			309 35 —
Pagodas			368 14 —

Ballance of the Estate of Edwd. Snow pd. into Cash.

The Paymaster & Secretary present to the Board, an Account Current of the estate of Edward Snow deceased, as enterd hereafter, & pay the Ballance thereof into Cash, being thirty Pagodas, nineteen fanams, and Seventy four Cash P. 30. 19. 74.

Betle farm for May paid.

Poncala Kistna & Com Chitty Tobacco and Beetle farmers pay into Cash eight hundred, thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams P. 833. 12. for one months Rent of that farm, due the 5th. instant.

Arrack farm for May paid.

Poncala Kistna Farmer of the Arrack & Wine Lycense pays into Cash, three hundred thirty five Pagodas, for one months Rent thereof due the 5th. Instant.

Genll. Letter from Fort St. David.

General Letter. N. 42 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 9th. Instant read, advising the receipt of ten thousand pagodas 10000 Sent them.

A moths. Wages pd. the George Brigantine.

The Storekeeper presents a Bill for one months Wages due to the George Brigantine's people to the 5th. instant, Amounting to Sixty one Pagodas Six fanams P. 61. 6. Which is ORDERED to be discharged, the Account is entered after this Consultation.

a Piece of spare ground in the Choultry yard buil upon for the Compa.

The Paymaster reports to the board that there is a peice of spare Ground in the Choultry Yard, on which two very convenient Buttecas may be built for about thirty Pagodas 30 which he is assured would let for twenty Pagodas 20 ℔ Annum And therefore proposes to the Board to order the same to be built which is AGREED to and he is directed to Set about them.

a Parcel of Guns & Anchors spar'd the Govr. for Manilha.

The President observing to the Board that the Company have Several Anchors and Guns lying here which are too large for the use of any of our Shipping at this time, and wch. have lain for Several Years exposed to Rust and Spoil for want of Demand, told them That he is willing to take a parcell of them to Send to Manilla, provided he can have them at a Reasonable rate, and that the Company will take them back again provided he cannot Sell them there, which last Condition he expected, because that

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not knowing whether they would sell or not at Manilla, he thought it was Sufficient for him to risque the money without being obliged in Case they would not sell to have the goods lye upon his hands, and that Should the Company take them back it would be only the Same thing as if he had never received them, and they had laid here all the time.

This Proposal being considered, it was AGREED, that it tended manifestly to the Companys advantage, and therefore that it be accepted, and that the Storekeeper do deliver the President as many of those large Guns, and Anchors as he will take he paying for the Same four Pagodas 4 ℔ ⊖ for the Anchors, and one Pagoda & Seven eights P. 1 7/8 for the Guns.

Petition from Owners of Brigne. Amity touching her Seisure by the French.

Petition from the Owners of Brigantine Amity read, Setting forth that the French Company had unwarrantably Seiz'd the Said Vessell at the Isle of France, or Maurities where She touched to Wood and Water in her way to Delagoa, That the pretence for the same was a dispute about her pass and the Sale of five or Six peices of Cloth, this petition (together with y^e. Translate of the Judicial Proceedings in relation to her and a charge of Pyracy laid against the Master of her) is entered after this Consultation.

a General letter to be wrote to Pondicherry thereupon.

All which being Considered, It was AGREED, that the proceedings of the French in this Case appear to this Board unjustifiable, and that a Letter be wrote to the President and Councill of Ponticherry to complain thereof, and Demand Satisfaction, And that Copy of the Petition be also Sent thither.

JA^s. MACRAE.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^ll. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

ESTATE OF EDWARD SNOW DECEASED.

Dr.			Cr.		
To Cash paid the Cryer Cooley hire Conicoply &c. Charges of the Outcry	P. 5 — —		By Cash remaining at his Death	P. 31 12 —	
To Cash paid M^r. Newcomes bill of Burial charges	13 24 —		By Cash Received the amount of his Outcry	267 — 15	
To Cash paid Cap^t. Powney in full of Snow note to Cap^t. Berriman Viz^t.			By Cash Received of Gunner Murray Viz.		
Princ^l. .. P. 255 —			Principal of his note rem^s. due to Snow .. 54 —		
Interest .. 29 27			Interest on Do. .. 3 28		
	284 27 —		half a months pay due to Snow .. 5 —		
To cash paid the Gunner Murray M^r. Whistlers Note for an [Hogshead] of Goa Arrack ..	5 24 —			62 28 —	
To Cash paid Edward [...] bill for Sherry 1 Doz.	2 — —		By Cash received of Martin Scareman Cooper in full of his Debt to Snow	— 18 —	
To Cash paid M^r. Mansell his bill for Gunpowder	5 4 35		By Cash received of M^r. Broke, Ballance of his Account Currant due to Snow ..	3 14 4	
To Commission on Pag^s. 365 :-: 29 reced. at 5 ℔ C^t.	18 9 —				
	P. 334 16 35				
To Ballance due to the Estate paid into the Honble Companys Cash	30 19 74				
	Pagodas 365 — 29			Pagodas 365 — 29	

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ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ JOHN ROACH.
Paymaster.

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WAGES DUE TO THE BRIGANTINE GEORGE FROM THR 15 MAY TO THE 15 JUNE 1728

John Pye master at	..	..	..	..	P.	18	6	—
First mate @	..	..	..	..		12	—	—
Second mate @	..	..	..	..		10	—	—
Tindall @	..	..	..	..		3	—	—
Nine Lascars @	..	..	..	..		18	—	—
				Pag^{s}.		61	6	—

JOHN PYE.

TO THE HON. JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C. COUNCIL .

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We the Owners of the Brigantine Amity Do beg leave to represent to your Honour &c the Injury done to us by the Seizure and Confiscation of the said Vessel, and Cargoe by the french Company at the Isles of France and Bourbon, in hopes by your favourable interposition in our behalf to obtain redres.

The Brigantine Amity Captain John Widdrington Left this Port the 15th. of October last bound on a trading Voyage to the Coast of Africa having a Pass from the Honble the Governour for that purpose and in her way thither the Cap^{t}. thought proper to touch at the Isle of France for a Supply of Provisions and water.

On the 2^{d}. of December, he accordingly came to anchor at the Port Louis, where he went Directly on shoar, and addressed himself to Mons^{r}. S^{t}. Martin the French Companys Cheif there, for leave to Wood and Water who first desired to see his Pass, which Captain Widdrington immediately produced to him in the presence of the Kings Lieutenant, the Gua[r]dian, of the Magazine and Captain Peter Marcay Commander of the French Company's Ship the Expedition, then in that road who were all well satisfied with it. The Cheif then enquired how long he proposed to Stay, and what necessarys he should be in want of whereto he replyed that he cheifly stood in need of a Supply of water, which with his permission He hoped to compleat in two or three days, and then he would proceed on his Voyage to Mosambique. The cheif told him he should have water or any Refreshment the Island afforded, but that he must not exceed that time in Staying nor upon any Account dispose of any Merchandise to the Inhabitants of the Islands, to which Captain Widdrington promised all due obedience and to See that he did duly comply therewith they themselves always Sent Soldiers in his Boat every trip She made.

On the 4th. the aforesaid Cap^{t}. Marcay come on board the Brigantine and enquired of Captain Widdrington what goods he had on board, for he wanted a few things, for himself, as Handkerchiefs Nectaes, Stockings Candles &c^{a}. Captain Widdrington answered, He was expresly forbid by the Government to Sell any thing to the people of the place, To which Cap^{t}. Marcay replyed That what few things he wanted could not be termed Merchandize, being only necessarys for his own use & therefore he need not be affraid of any Inconveniencies arising from it. Upon which assurance Cap^{t}. Widdrington did show him what things he wanted, but not agreeing about the prices of them he would only have one peice of Soosies, which he refused as a present but paid Six Dollars for it, Captain Widdrington spared likewise to the Officers of the Expedition that came on board his Vessell, a Hat, one peice of Muslin, one peice of D^{o}. Handkerchiefs and 3 ℔^{r}. of Stockings which was all he parted with out of the Vessell, and the amount of all this together with what odd trifiles of his own the Mate disposed of to them did not exceed thirty or forty Dollars, w^{ch}. was barely Sufficient to pay for such necessarys as they had occasion for— About 10 a Clock the Same night came on Board the Brigantine the Kings Lieutenant and the Second Captain of the Expedition and told them Captain they were Sent by Mons^{r}. S^{t}. Martin they cheif, to place a Guard on Board that night, for he had just then received Information, that his

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Long Boat remaind at the Watering place, & he did not know what she might be doing there so late unless it was running of [goods]. Besides that the Expeditions People had been trading on board all day So that he must not take it amiss that they came to prevent any further Dealings, and accordingly they left on board an Officer and twenty Soldiers, who kept on Deck the Remain[d]er of the night. In the morning the Long Boat returned with Water when the Captain and his mate waited on the Cheif ashore to know why he had placed those people on board the Vessell, who told them Captain Marcay had informed him his Officers had been on board the Brigantine trading, and that the Longboat stay'd at the Watering place where she might probably be running Goods So that he was obliged in that manner he had done to take notice of it & desir'd them to leave the Port that Day they having been Supplyed with what they wanted and Said they must pay the Soldiers on board fifteen Dollars, for their Trouble. Captain Widdrington replyed that he had not Sent for them, nor had he any money to pay them That as to the Longboat having been ashoar all night, They must Certainly know before that time was occasioned by a Squall of Wind, and what Captain Marcay had informed relating to his Officers, he was Affraid was more than true, for that he had only spared among them all a Hat 1 ℔ˢ. Muslin 1 ℔ Dº. Hand-[kerchiefs] and 3 ℔ʳ. of Stockings besides the ℔ˢ. of Soosies which the Captain himself had, so that all the money he had received from them he beleived was not Sufficient to Defray the charges he might be at in that Port. The Cheif made answer he was very well Satisfied about it & that when the Captain returnd on board his Vessell, he would Send an order to withdraw the Soldiers. At the same time the Captain took his leave of the Cheif & Officers and went on board in order to proceed on his Voyage, and by ten that morning had accordingly weighed his anchor & was Steering out of the Harbour, At which time the Expedition fired a shot at him, Captain Widdrin[g]ton being a Stranger to the meaning of it & knowing our two Nations were at peace, sent his Boat on board on her to enquire, which they detained Some hours, notwithstanding he made a Signal for her & Soon after their Returning the Boat, they came a Long side him with the Ship and Sent their Long boat full of men which left on board the Second Captain a mate and four men Centinels in order to oblige the Brigantine to keep Company with the Expedition to Bourbon, As the Second Captain Showed Captain Widdrington by a Written order from Captain Marcay, Saying he had refused to do it on his Verball order, In Consequence of this Captain Widdrington did the next day deliver in a Protest to Captain Marcay, And on their arrival at Sᵗ. Paul in Bourbon another Protest against Capᵗ. Marcay to Monsʳ. Pierre Benoist Dumas, the Cheif & Counˡˡ. there together with a Petition for Redress, which instead of granting him they themselves arrested and Seized upon the Vessell on pretence of a trespass they had Committed in coming thither although it was Evident he was Carried thither forcibly by the aforesaid Captain Marcay and Alledged the Company by their last Shipping had Sent out possitive orders to Seize upon all Vessels of what Nation soever that should come from India to trade with those Islands, upon which Captain Widdrington told them, He had not disposed of any Merchandize at any of their Islands nor could they prove he had, and therefore the Companys orders did not in any respect empower them to Stop the Vessell, after this they objected to his Pass, and said beleived it to be Counterfeited & asked him how there came to be Different hand writings in it, & why it was not Signed by the Councill as well as the Governour, To which Captain Widdrington answered among the English the Governour only Signs all Commissions & Passes, and the Different Hand writings in it was very Common in most passes in India & Occasioned by the Secretarys alway's keeping by him Several in in a Readiness, with Vacancy's left for the names of the Vessell & Command'r and the places wither they are bound &c. which are filled up as they are wanted by any of his Assistants in the Office & to Satisfy them of the Verity of the Same, he showed them several other old passes He had by him, which were the like, To this they answered, that the Pass might be good, but they were not Obliged to beleive him, nor any writings, where there was so much Room for Suspicion, And immediately delivered him a Written Order to go on Board the Brigantine Amity with two of the Counˡˡ. & see her Cargoe Delivered, which order he laid down and possitively refused

to go on board on any other Account than to proceed on his Voyage, but they obliged the Mate to take an Account of what Goods went over the Side, and directed the notes to him. Accordingly the 10th. & 11th. they landed what Goods they Could, and sent two of the Councill to Demand of the Captain his Invoice, giving for reason that he then would not have it in his power to Say there were more goods on Board than in reallity there was, which upon his refusal to Deliver to them they the next day opened his Escrutore, and took it out, and that Day the Hurricane Coming on, the Ship and Brigantine were by them immediately ordered to Sea, and Stayed out till the 30th. of January when they landed the rest of her Cargoe, and disposed of the same out of the Companys Magazine.

In March the Europe Ships arrived from India bound to France, and at the first Consultation that was held, the Commadore and the two Captains took their places in Council, where this matter was again Discoursed of. These did not approve of their having Seized the Brigantine as they could not prove that the Captain had disposed of any Merchandize upon the Shoar. But the others said it was agreeable to the Companys orders, saying the Vessell was designed for that Port and at the same time produced the Mates Journal wherein was wrote in French, Invoice of Merchandize bought at Madrass for Mascareen and asked the Captain how he came to write that the Vessell was not designed thither, To which he replyed that he was not in any respect accountable for what his Mates might write, and that they knew the head of the Owners Invoice to be others, Besides that this was not an Objection, when they first Seized the Vessell, they then brought out the Pass, and asked the Commadore & Captains their Opinion about it, & wether they did not think it to be Counterfeited, by having Different Handwritings in it, about this they Examined Captain Widdrington again & he assigned the aforementioned Reasons for it, and produced his other old Passes as before. Upon the whole they said the Pass might be true for ought they [K]new, but as they was so great room for Suspicion, they were not Obliged to beleive it so. And the Commadore & Captains Declared that was all the Pretensions they had of any right, for what they had done.

The next Consultation after this the aforesaid Captain Marcay put into Councill a Declaration that when he was at the Isle of France Captain Widdrington had endeavoured to intice some of the Soldiers there away, in order to take his Ship Expedition from him & said he could prove the same by Sufficient Witnesses. Hereupon Captn. Widdrington Delivered a Petition by way of Complt. desiring the said Captain Marcay might be called upon to prove his assertion, and enquiry being made into it, his charge was found to be entirely false, and Monsr. Dumas the Cheif gave him a Certificate thereof. And the same day the said Captain Marcay was Dismissed from the Command of his Ship.

In April Captain Widdrington bought back the Brigantine Amity of the Governour & Councill of St. Paul for a Conveyance for himself and people to India, But before his Departure thence, they Obliged him to sign a receipt for the wages they had paid the people & the charges themselves had Disburs'd on the Vessell, while she was in their hands, as likewise for the allowance they made him for his maintenance.

This relation is truely the matter of Fact, as it will appear more fully by the Captains Diary, which he will attest on Oath, and is most part Confirmed by the very process of the French Company against him, a Translate whereof we herewith Deliver you.

We now beg leave to observe to your Honour &ca. upon the whole, That the Captain did actually conform to the rules of the Government at Port Louis, of which we think it is a Substantial Proof, that after having been fully acquainted of everything he had parted with to the Officers of the Ship Expedition which was scarce Sufficient to defray his necessary charges there, They in a friendly manner, Dismissed him in order to proceed on his Voyage.

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Notwithstanding Cap^{t}. Marcay's Declaration delivered in at his arrival at S^{t}. Paul of his having Seized the Brigantine as an Interloper It appears very strange, that he should do so, as she was just then clear'd by the Government, and proceeding on her Voyage unless he was resolved to have her at any rate, and proposed at last to charge her with Pyracy which he did 3 months afterwards, For had it been on any pretence of trading, We conceive the Government of Port Louis must have interposed And in all their Proceedings, against the Vessell Wee do not hear she was there Seized in Consequence of any such order from them, or that Captain Marcay had a Commission which gave him a Power do it of his own Authority.

After Captain Marcay had in this unwarrantable manner forcibly carried the Brigantine Amity to S^{t}. Pauls, and there Delivered her up to the Governour and Councill, They notwithstanding Cap^{t}. Widdringtons protest against the said Cap^{t}. Marcay immediately Arrested & Seized upon her, for the French Company, upon his Single Declaration and proceeded likewise to the Sale of her Cargoe, without any further Proof till the arrival of the homeward shipping in March, when they thought fitt to examine the matter closer, and take Depositions, The Purport of all which though Strained to the utmost, We hope will not amount to Sufficient to Support so unreasonable a Seizure.

And as to their Objections to the Pass, which the Honourable Governour was pleas'd to Grant for the Vessell, they are Evasive, and wee think used meerly as a Shift to serve in Case their charge of Clandestine trade might not be thought Sufficient.

We hope from this representation Your Honour &c^{a}. will be fully Sastisfied of the justnes of our Complaint And be induced to give us your favourable Assistance in obtaining Restitution from the French Company. We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your Most Obedient Hum^{ble}. Serv^{t}.
CHARLES BARRINGTON.
SAMUEL PARKES.

PROCEEDINGS WITH RELATION TO THE BRIGANTINE AMITY.

TO M^{R}. DUMAS, DIRECTORE GENERAL OF THE COMMERCE OF THE ISLES OF BOURBON & FRANCE, & PRESIDENT OF THE GREAT COUNCILL.

The Kings Attorney General represents to you that the Expedition Frigate on her return from the Isle of France, Commanded by Cap^{t}. Marcay Anchoring in this Road this 22^{d}. December 1727 brought with her an English Brigantine called the Amity Commanded by Captain John Widdrington which he mett at the Isle of France, That during the time they staid at the said place, He caught the said Captain trading for Merchandize, which the Company has Prohibited on Account of the prejudice which that Causes to their Interest, of which trading the said Marcay brings Proof by two peices of Chints which he Seized in the Hands of Mr. St Pierre an Officer belonging to the Isle of France, who bought them of the Mate of the said Brigantine, whereupon the said Marcay deeming this Vessell an Interloper had seized, and Obliged her to follow him in order to Deliver her to the Great Councill of this Island, that the said M^{r}. Marcay made a Declaration in Court of the manner of his Seizing this Vessel and did at the same time Deliver up the peices of Merchandize abovementioned together with a peice of Sooseys w^{ch}. he bought of the said Captain, whereupon the said Councill by their Consultation of the said 22^{d}. December did Stop and Seize the said Vessell and Cargoe, Wherefore may it please you to order the said Mess^{rs}. Marcay S^{t}. Pierre, and the Mate of the said Brigantine to be examined, on this Affair.

S^{T}. PAULS IN THE ISLE OF BOURBON THE 23^{D}. DEC^{R}. 1727. S^{T}. LAMBERT LA BERGRY.

Let an Examination be taken before M^{r}. V. Villeremoy of Council, appointed Commissioner in this Case about the Facts contained in this present request.

DUMAS.

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Examinations taken before us Noel Juhaut De Villameroy Councillor of the Great Councill appointed Commissioner in this Cause at the instance of the Kings Attorney General, Plaintiffe & Accuser against John Widdrington Captain of the English Brigantine Amity Seized as an Interloper ℔ order of Councill dated 22d December 1727, in Execution of the order of 18 March 1728, Signed Dumas, and wrote at the bottom of the request of the Kings Attorney, In which Examinations we have proceeded as hereunder.

Mr. Marcay Commander of the Expedition now riding at an Anchor in the road of St. Pauls, at the Isle of Bourbon Aged 48 Years who after having made Oath to speak to the truth Deposeth touching the facts mentioned in the request of the Kings Attorney, which was read to him, That Mr. Bourgogne Secretary to the expedition having been on board, asked to buy a Caster Hatt, and a Cover of a Bed, That the said Captain Widdrington Capt. of the said Brigantine, did immediately sell him them, That the said Mr. Marcay observing Mr. Burgogne had a new Hatt on, asked him w[h]ere he got it, who told him he had bought it on board the Brigantine, w[h]ere there was an Assortment of Sundry sorts of Merchandize for Sale, which occasioned the said Mr. Marcay to go on board the said Vessel, to know wether the said Captain did really sell any Merchandize, That when got there the said Captain Widdrington opened several Bales & showed his Goods whereupon the said Mr. Marcay told him, he was not permitted to buy any of the said Merchandize because it was expresly forbid, & further that did the Company owe him 100,000 Crowns, he should loose it all for disobeying their orders, That however the said Marcay pretending to want a peice of Soosies did take one for Six Dollars which he did purely with design to prove a fraud in the said Captain Widdrington, That besides this the said Marcay had found in the Expedition several goods brought on board fraudulently from the Amity, particularly 3 peices of Ginghams, one Callicoe Shirt & one Pallempore delivered into the hands of the Chevr. Latour, Officer of the Troops at the Isle of France by order of Mr. St. Martin, Warehousekeeper of the said Island, for which he has a receit of the said Mr. Lautours of the 16th. December 1727 and also two peices of Chints sold to Mr. St. Pierre another Officer of the Isle of France who delivered them into Court by order of Mr. Dumas, That the said Widdrington finding his fraudelent Commerce detected lying in the N. W. harbour, and Anchored by Order of the said Marcay to Leward of him got his ship Ready without giving notice to the said Mr. Marcay, which he perceiveing fired at him to make him anchor again, to which he obeyed, and sent his boat on board of the Expedition, which was detain'd on Board till half an hour after five in the Evening when Mr. Marcay sent Mr. Billy a Mate & four Soldiers Armed on board the said Brigantine in his own Boat, with orders to make her keep the same Course & to bring her to him to the Isle of Bourbon and delivered her, on her arrival into the charge of the great Councill.

This Deposition being read to him he declared it to be true, presisted therein, and Signed it as such.

Signed MARCAY.

Done by us the abovementioned Councillor & Commissioner the Day and Year above.

St. P.
18th. March 1728.

Signed
VILLEMEROY,
MORELL.
Notary.

Mr. Lebaut Cheif Mate of the Brigantine Amity Aged 36 Years, who after being Sworn to speak the truth, Deposed touching the particulars mentioned in the Kings Attorney's request That riding in the N W harbour of the Isle of France Messrs. Bourgogne & Marigny Officers of the Expedition Frigat, now riding in the same harbour came on board, and Demanded of Mr. Manoel Liebeaut and his Captain wether they had Shifts to sell them to make Cloaths, and that he Lebaut sold to Mr. Bourgogne ten pair

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of Cotton Stockings, and a Pallampore upon assurances given by the said Bourgogne & Marigny that no Accident would happen thereupon because this was not for trade, but for their own use, and that the said Mr. Bourgogne also bought a Hatt of the Captain, That afterwards Mr. Marcay Captain of the Expedition coming on board, asked the said Leabeaut and his Captain, if they had no Cloaths to sell him, that the Captain having opened two Bales of Merchandize to shew Mr. Marcay, he bought a peice of Soosie of the Captain, and three pair of Stockings of the said Liebaut, being white Cotton Stockings, the said Mr. Marcay also making the same Protestations which Messrs. Bourgogne and Marigney had done, that they had nothing to fear, that this was not Merchandize but only things, that he had need of for himself, The said Liebeaut says further, that having carried some Merchandize on board the Expedition, he sold Mr. St. Pierre an Officer of the Isle of France, who was then on board two peices of Chints, and a small Pallampore, & that then as he was going to Carry on board the Amity, a Cotton shirt 3 peices of Ginghams & one Pallampore, that he had left Mr. Marcay engaged him to leave them on board, upon promise to send them to him which he had not done, but Confiscated them, And that afterwards he had stopped the Brigantine & brought her to the Isle of Bourbon.

This deposition being read to him he assured the same to contain the truth, persisted therein, and Signed it as such.

(Signed)
LIEBAUT.

Done by us the abovenamed Councillor & Commissr. the Day & Year abovenamed,

(Signed) VILLARMOY.
MORELL.
Notary.

THE 18TH. MARCH 1728.

Mr. Bartholmy Faulour de St. Pierre Aged about 33 Years Deposes touching the particulars mentioned in the request of the Kings Attorney, which was read to him, That Mr. Marsay having told him that if he had occasion for any cloaths, he was just come from the English brigantine & had bought three pair of Cotton Stockings, wch. had cost him very [dear] that he Mr. St. Pierre telling him he should be glad to have something to make a night Gown Mr. Marcay told him he might send for what he would; The Mate of the English Brigantine Amity being then on board the Expedition, the Said Monr. St. Pierre desir'd him to fetch some Merchandize to chuse what he wanted wch. the Mate immediatly did bringing from his Vessel several peices of Chints, Gingham &ct. & that the said Monr. St. Pierre looking over them in Mr. Marsays Cabin, he should tell him that this did not suit him & this was not permitted, that however he Monr. St. Pierre bot. two pieces of Chints & one Cambay of Gingham & Mr. Marsay seis'd the rest of what the Pilot brot. aboard.

This deposition being read to him, he said it Contain'd the truth, persisted therein & Sign'd as such.

Sign'd
ST. PIERRE.

Done by us the Abovenam'd Councellour & Commissioner the day & year above written

sign'd VILARMOY.

& Lower

MORELL.
Notary.

Compar'd wth. the Original & Certified to be true Copy by us MORELL chief Notary to the great Council at St. PAULS in the Isle of Bourbon this 22d. of March 1728.

MORELL.

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Signified to M^r^. Widdrington by me the underwritten Notary in Chief to the Great Council & a Copy deliver'd to be answer'd in three days at S^t^. Paul, Isle of Bourbon 30^th^. March 1723.

MORELL.

To the Gentlemen of the Provincial Council of the Isle of France.

Mons^r^. Marcay Sea Capt^n^. & Commander for the Company of the Expedition Frigate, represents that upon advice given him that the English Cap^t^. of the Brigantine Amity had endeavour'd to persuade the Soldiers of Port Louis of the said Island to carry off the Expedition Frigate, for w^ch^. he offer'd them thirty rupees a man, May it please you therefore Gentlemen to order an information to be exhibited upon this Subject & the said Soldiers to be examin'd & sent to the Grand Council of the Isle of Bourbon for their decision & you will do justice.

Sign'd
MARCAY.

Compar'd w^th^. the Original & found right, by the Underwritten Notary in Chief of the Great Council of S^t^. Pauls on the Isle of Bourbon this 24^th^. April 1728.

MORELL.

I CERTIFIE that the fact set forth in this request was upon examination had thereon, found entirely Contrary to the truth

DUMAS.

S^T^. PAUL 26^TH^. APRIL 1728.

WAGES due to the Brigantine George from the 15^th^. May to the 15^th^. June 1728

John Pye Master at	18	6	—
First Mate	12	—	—
Second Mate	10	—	—
Tondell	3	—	—
Nine lascars	18	—	—
Pag^s^.	61	6	—

JOHN PYE.

MADRASS
JUNE 15^TH^. 1728.

18 — rec'd by Tappies a general Letter from F. S^t^. David dated 16^th^.
— sent by Tappies a general letter to Pondicherry touching the Affair of the Amity brig^te^.
19 Ship Nossa Senhora de Pegna sail'd for Macao.
22 rec'd by Peons general Letters from Bengal, Vizagapatam & Ingeram.
— brig^te^. Mahomuddee sail'd for Ganjam.
— brig^te^. Portilhon Mon^r^. Penifort came in from Pondicherry.
— brig^te^. Nelly Abraham Robarts Master arriv'd from Mocha.
— Ship Margaret Cap^t^. Charges Grey arriv'd from Juddah.
23 brig^te^. Neptune W^m^. Tullie Master sail'd for Bengal.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. PRESIDENT. — MONDAY 24^TH^.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Sea Customer Accot. for May read.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that Account for the Month of May Viz^t^.

Custom on Goods Imported	Pag^s^. 4145	18	40
Ditto on Grain	271	7	36
Anchorage	33	18	—
	Pag^s^. 4450	7	76

Ballance due from him nine thosand four hundred, ninety two Pagodas, eleven fanams, and Six Cash 9492. 11. 6 of which he now pays four thous^d^. 400[0] Pagodas.

Land Customers ballance. for May p^d^. in.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash nine hundred ninety five pagodas nineteen fanams & twelve Cash 995 : 19 : 12 ballance of his last months Account.

Storekeepers Accot. for May read.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper reads that Account for last month, ballance due from him Eleven Hundred, Sixty pagodas, three fanams & forty Cash 1160. 3. 40 which is Carried to next months Account.

Capt. Nelly's petition to stay a few days longer.

Request from Capt^n^. Francis Nelly of the Hertford desiring permission to Continue here till the first of next month, Granted for the reasons set forth in his Request, which is enter'd after this Consultation.

Town rent p^d^. the Nabob.

The Annual rent of this town being due & demanded by the Nabob, ORDER'D that it be p^d^.

Silver bot. of the french.

The President reports to the board that in Consequence of their Resolution in Council the 10^th^. Instant, in order to Supply Bengall, the more largely with Treasure, he has purchased twenty two Barrills, and one Case of Silver from Pondicherry at Seven Pagodas, & one twelfth ℔ Seer the whole weighing, Seventy five thousand, nine hundred Seventy nine Ounces, and five penny weights Oz. 75979. 5. — makes Eight thousand four Hundred eighty nine Seer two ounces & fourteen penny weights 8489. 2. 14, And Amounts to Sixty thousand one hundred thirty two Pagodas, nineteen fanams & twenty Cash P. 60132. 19. 20, Which is approved And, Ordered, that that Sume be paid the Import Warehousekeeper to pay for the Same.

General Letters read.

General Letters read Viz^t^.

from Fort St. David.

N^o^. 43 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^t^. David dated 16 June, advising that they have receiv'd the last Supply of Cash sent them, And that they have returned their old Musters.

from Bengal.

N. 44 from the President and Council of Fort William dated 25^th^. April, Advising that they shall Contract for Seven thousand eight Hundred Bales, but fear their Merchants will not be able to compleat the Same, and therefore they press us to give them all the Assistance, we can, They also demand two Hundred Chests of Madrass rupees, and one hundred & twenty five chests of Bullion.

from Vizagapatam &

N. 45 from the Provisional Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated 27^th^. May, cheifly to Accompany the Bengall Letter.

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Ingeram. N. 46 from Mr. Sanderson at Ingerum dated 1st. Instant complaining of the Scarcity of Cotton & Copper money.

JAs. MACRAE.
ROBr. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
[*Lucuna*]
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

26 Ship Pondicherry [Commr.] Sinquene sail'd for Pondichery.
27 brigte. Portilhon [Monr.] Penifort return'd to Pondicherry.
— Sloop Ramah came in Fort St. David wth. bales.
— a General Letter dated 25th.

TO THE HONBLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVR. &Cr. COUNCIL OF FORT Sr. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

After returning my thanks for the favour already done me in permitting me so long a stay here for the recovery of my health & people, being still in an infirm Condition & Several of my Men on board being very weak, I beg yr. Honr. &ct. Permission of a longer stay till the 1st. of July next by wch. I hope we shall be thoroughly recover'd,

I am
HONBLE. SR. & SRS.
Yr. most Obedt. Humble Servts.
FRANCIS NELLY.

FORT Sr. GEORGE
JUNE 24TH. 1728.

AT A CONSULTATION
Present

THURSDAY 27TH. JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
MR. HYDE, *indisposed.*

Genl. Letter Fm St. David read. General letter N. 47 from the Deputy Governour and Councill of Fort St. David dated 25 Instant read, inclosing invoice and bill of Lading for bales on board the Ramah Sloop.

The Master & Mates of ship Margaret from Judda requir'd to attend the board on their examination touching the murther of the English there & the detention of the Ship. A Request from Robert Adams Esqr.. presented and read as entered hereafter, relating to the murder of Mr. Hill, and the Detension of Ship Margarett by the Turks at Judda, and praying that we will examine upon Oath the Captain and mates of the said Ship touching that Affair, and give him authentick Copies of those examinations to Carry to Europe.

ORDERED that Captain Charles Gray Master, and Matthew Rockcliffe and Samll. Surcliffe Mates of Ship Margarett do draw out Narratives of what they know concerning this affair and attend tha board on Monday next in order to the Examination which Mr. Adams desires.

more Silver bot. The President acquaints the board that Since the purchase of the French Silver wch. he reported to them last Consultation, he has bought a further Quantity to the amount of twenty three thousand 23000 pagodas, which he has procured at fourteen and a half 14½ dollar weight for ten pagds. 10, To which price Silver is fallen by the arrival of Ships from Mocka & Judda.

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He added that having occasion for Eighty three thousand pagodas worth of Silver for a China Voyage he might insist upon having what was bought at the Rate which the Company indulges that is one quarter of a Dollar in ten pagodas cheaper than the market price, but that he was contented, to take the Pondicherry Silver at the price it cost (though it is since fallen to fourteen and a half) with the said Indulgence. This motion being considered was AGREED to by all the members of the Board except Mr. Peers who desired leave to enter a Dissent thereto for Reasons which he would give in writing next Consultation Day.

Silver deliver'd the China Ship.

Mr. Peers dissents thereto.

ORDERED therefore that the Warehousekeeper do Deliver the said Silver to the owners of the China Ship.

JAS. MACRAE.
[*Lacuna*]
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
[*Lacuna*]
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR. &C COUNCILL OF MADRASS.

HONBLE SR. & SIRS

Ships Prince George of Bengall & Margaret of Tellicherry being detained and plundered by the Turks of Juddah at the Port, after they had, on the 6 June 1727 Murdered the Capt. and Supra Cargos and several people of the Margaret under pretence that the Captns. and Mates of the Ships had Murdered and abused the Lascars especially those of the Margaret, now as said Ship Margaret arrived here the 22d. instant, and is still in this Port, and as I am sole owner, and have lost a Brother: and good part of my Estate by this barbarous and Villianous proceedings of the Turks, and being resolved, what in me lyes to use means to gett Satisfaction, my humble request is that your Honour &ct. would be pleased, to order Capt. Charles Gray Master, Matthew Rockcliffe Cheif Mate and Samuel Surcliffe Second Mate of said Ship Margaret, and what more of her people you please to appear before you and Examine them on Oath, by way of Interrogation, to all what the Bashaw of Judda Charges them with in his Letter to the English Chief at Mocho, so that they may have those Authentick papers to carry with me to England, but if your Honr. &ca. has any way more methodical and proper, shall readily Submitt to it, so as that may make the fact Appeare plaine in England, whereby may at least prevent for the future the Spilling of more Innocent Brittish bloud, and their being plunderd of their Estates, I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your Most Humble Servant
ROBERT ADAMS.

Dispatch'd by Peons General Letters to Vizagapatam & Ingeram. 28
Ship Nossa Senhora de Conceptaõ Monr. de la Fontaine sail'd for Macao. 29
Ship Bengal Mercht. sail'd for Bengal. 30
rec'd by Tappies a general Letter from F. St. David. —

JULY 1728.

Ship Lyell Captn. John Hunter sail'd for China. 1st.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESDT. — MONDAY 1ST.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do send all the Rupees we have ready on board the Hertford for Bengall being eighty six thousand 86000.

rupees p Hertford to Bengal.

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Meney advd. the Paymaster.

ORDERED to advance the Paymaster, two thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas to defray Charges of Garrison, and other expences of the month.

Genll. Letter from Fort St. David.

Generall Letter N°. 48 from the Deputy Governour & Councill of Fort St. David dated 22d. Ult°. read, advising the Death of Mr. Peter Tahourdin.

Journal parcels for May read.

The Accomptant produces and reads the journal parcels, for the month of May.

money for Silver sold the China ship pd. in.

Robert Symonds Warehousekeeper pays into Cash fifty nine thousand, and eighty eight pagodas, thirty five fanams, and forty Cash for Silver sold.

Merchts. ballance for June paid them.

The Warehousekeeper presents the Merchants Account of Callicoes embaled this month as entered hereafter, ballance due to them and ORDERED to be paid, eleven thousand, three hundred eighty one pagodas, twenty two fanams & twenty nine Cash 11381 : 22 : 29.

Mr. Peers delivers in his reasons for dissenting to the order for sparing the Company's Silver to the China Ships.

Mr. Peers delivers to the board his reasons for Dissenting from the resolve of the Board last Consultation day about the Silver sold the China Ship, which are read, and ordered to be entered and the board agreed to take them into Consideration at next meeting.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
STLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.

Dr. SUNCA RAMAH, AND TOMBEE CHITTE Cr.

To Cash Advanced them. 30000 — —
To Custome on goods, brought in by em, them @ 5 ℔ Cent. 555 : 1 : 7
To Moorte and Washers for Washing the Cloth turn'd out. 11 : 12 : 62
566 14 49

By Sundry Callicoes Receed from them Month particulars Vizt.

LONG CLOTH ORDINARY wte. 72 Cov. Long & 2¼ broad;

N.							
1	21 qt.	31	10 @ pags.	31	18 ℔ Corge.	992	9 —
2	56	84		30	9 ℔ Do.	2541	— —
3	28	42		29	Do.	1218	— —
	105	157	10			4751	9 —

LONG CLOTH MIDLING wte. 72 Covr. Long & 2¼ broad.

3	1 qt.	1	10 @ 34 ℔ Corge	..	..	51 — —

LONG CLOTH FINE wte. 72 Cov. Long & 2¼ broad.

2	9 qt.	18	@ 55 ℔ Corge	..	990 — —	
3	4	8	@ 50 Do.	..	400 — —	
	13	26				1390 — —

SALLEMPORES ORDINARY wte. 32 Covr. Long & 2⅛ broad.

1	1 qt.	4 @ pags.	14	18 ℔ Corge	..	58 — —
2	5	20 @	13	18 Do.	..	270 — —
3	4	16 @	12	18 Do.	..	200 — —
	10	40				528 — —

SALLAMPORES FINE wte. 32 Covr. long & 2⅛ bd.

2	1 qt.	5 @ pags.	27	– ℔ Corge	..	135 — —
3	1	5 @	25	Do.	..	125 — —
	2	10				260 — —

BETTELAES of 50 Covr. Long & 2 broad.
28 : 14 qt. 56 @ pags. 39 : 9 ℔ Corge .. 2198 — —

BETTELAES of 40 Cov. Long & 2 broad.
25 : 8 qt. 40 @ pags. 31 : 9 ℔ Corge .. 1250 — —

Pags. 30566 14 49 Carrd. Over. [*Lacuna*].

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1728* —

To the Hon^ble. James Macrae Esq^r.

President & Gov^r. of Fort S^t. George &c^t. Council.

Hon^ble. S^r. & S^rs.

When a proposition was made the last Consultation day that the Silver purchas'd of the French (w^ch. was bo^t. to save Bengal Interest) as a Consultation of the 10^th. ultimo mention should be taken on Acco^t. of the China Voyage w^th. an indulgence of one quarter of a dollar in ten pagodas, the Majority of the Council consented thereto, I desird to be excus'd agreeing w^th. them in relation to the Sale thereof for the following reasons.

That a quantity of Silver being purchas'd to supply Bengal & save the large Interest there Annually paid; can't be any way serviceable to that end, if it is not sent thither, w^ch. I believ'd would be when it was agreed to purchase a quantity from Pondicherry & tho there has been an allowance for the China Voyage generally given by our Hon^ble. Masters, yet am of opinion that it is not meant to be given or the Silver even taken at the Market price when it is wanted for their Own use.

The Bengall Gen^ll. Letter last rec'd from thence in w^ch. they demand so large a Sum as three hundred & twenty five Chests of bullion & rupees to carry on the Investment according to the List sent them the last year from the Hon^ble. Company together w^th. the Acco^t. they give us of the large Sums they pay twelve ℔ Cent Interest for at Present, appears to me to be a Sufficient reason why no Silver should be otherwise dispos'd off, than for that Service.

I presume it is not agreable to the Hon^ble. Company's Intentions that Silver be purchas'd & sold to the China Ship w^th. an Allowance on it when they have none of their own, & I can't Conceive that their Indulgence extends further than to allow it when their own Affairs do not require it & they have an over plus in the Warehouse.

I hope my Hon^ble. Masters & Y^r. Hon^r. &c^t. will think the above reasons sufficient for my dissenting from the rest of the Hon^ble. Board for I am desirou's of nothing more than of approving my self, theirs &

Fort S^t. George
July 1^st. 1728.

Y^r. Hon^r. &c^r.
Most faithfull & Obedient Serv^t.
Charles Peers.

Ship Hertford Cap^t. Francis Nelly sail'd for Bengal by whom were sent two general letters thither, dated 19^th. ult^o. & 1^st. Ins^t. 12d.

Sloop Rama return'd to Fort S^t. David & Carry'd a gen^ll. letter of the date. —

Ship Elizabeth Bevis Pickett Master sail'd for Bengal.

Ships Heathcote & Stretham arriv'd from Europe w^th. Pacquets from the Hon^ble. Court of Directors. 4 5

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esq^r.	Govern^r. Presid^t.	Saturday 6^th.
Robert Symonds,	John Roach.	
Randall Fowke.	Samuel Hyde.	
Augustus Burton.	Charles Peers.	

General Letter from the Honble the Court of Directors dated 11^th. December, Received ℔ Ship Heathcote and Duplicate, by the Stretham, read together with Copy of their Letter to Bencoolen dated 29 November, Pacquet ℔ Heathcote & Stretham open'd.

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Silver ℔ Heathcote to be examin'd.

Ordered that the Warehouse Keeper with Mr. Burton, and the Assaymaster do weigh off the Silver by the Heathcote in presence of the Captain, And that it be Delivered into the Mint, agreable to the orders from the Honble Court of Directors.

Capt. Westcote petitions for one of the Soldiers he brot. out for this place.

Petition from Captain George Westcot read, as entered hereafter, praying that we will spare him one of the Soldiers which came out on the Heathcote to serve as Surgeons Mate, his own being put on board the Sunderland, which Ship was disappointed of her Surgeon.

AGREED that we will spare him to Captain Westcott, he paying his Discharge.

JAS. MACRAE.
[*Lacuna*].
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HONBLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVR. &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

having spar'd my Surgeons Mate to one of the Honble. Company's outward bound Ships to China & having since obtain'd Wm. Robertson one of the Military sent out upon the Heathcote who has acted as Mate these three months past, I earnestly request yr. Honr. &ct. will be pleas'd to continue him in that station, wch. will very much oblige.

FORT ST. GEORGE
6TH. JULY 1728.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.
Yr. most Obedient humble Servt.
GEORGE WESTCOTT.

8 — Ship Southgate Capt. Richd. Pearce sail'd for Cochinchina.
brigte. Fortune Peter Betus Master sail'd for Bengal.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERR. & PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

MONDAY 8TH.

Land Customers Accot for June read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer Reads that Account for last month Vizt.

Choultry Customs	P.	528	2 50
Ruby Brokerage		216	15 64
Registring Slaves		4	16 —
Pags.		748	34 34

Ballance due from him Seven hundred thirty seven Pagodas, twelve fanams, & thirty four Cash P. 737. 12. 34 which is carried to next months Account.

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Poncala Kistna, Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas 335 for last months rent of that farm due the 5th. instant. Arrack rent for June paid in.

There being a parcel of Silver imported ℔ Ship Heathcote belonging to Mr. Peers not licensed by the Company, It is seized agreable to the order from the Honourable Court of Directors in the 11th. Paragraph of their Letter to this place dated 7th. January 1725. A parcel of silver belonging to Mr. Peers seis'd as unlicensed.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.

Ketch Whynot Benjamin Wallis Master arriv'd from Mocha. 10
Sloop London Bazil Hamilton Master sail'd for Bengal. 13
Ship Stretham George Westcott Commander sail'd for Bengall. by whom was sent a general Letter from Pondicherry. —
rec'd by Tappies a General letter from Pondicherry in Answer to that sent thither touching the Affair of the Amity brigte. 13
Ship Arcot Coja Marat Jhoseph sail'd for Manilha. 15TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

MONDAY 15TH.

There having been found, among the papers of Robert Wooley, who dyed here the 25th. Septemr. 1725 a note under the hand of Captain Tolson for eight hundred pagodas to be invested by the said Captain Tolson in Sundry Goods agreable to a List delivered him and to be brought out, the Secretary in whose charge the said papers lye reported that Captain Tolson refused payment of the said note, affirming that he never received any money from Mr. Wooley nor ever was indebted to him.

Captain Tolson being at the Door was called in, and confirmed the above proving besides that the said Robert Woolley had paid Mr. Drake the sume of two hundred, & nineteen pagodas for a Debt due from him to the said Captain Tolson, from whence he argued the improbability of his being indebted to the said Woolley, and offered his oath that he never did owe Mr. Woolley any such Sume or signed such a note. A note in the name of Capt. Joseph Tolson to Robert Woolly cancell'd.

The note being produced, was shown to the whole board, and it was the unanimous opinion of all the members of it, that it was counterfeited, the Signing being much overlaboured to have been done by a shaking hand like Captain Tolsons and also there being several strokes in it, which did not agree with other Signing of the said Tolsons, and it having been notorioulsy proved before this board the 30th. of June 1726 that the said Woolley had Counterfeited a bond from another person, The board, resolved that the said note should be cancelled upon Captain Tolsons making Oath, that he never was directly or Indirectly indebted to the said Robert Woolley either on a gaming Debt or any other Account, and that he never did Sign any such note, as that now produced which oath the said Captain Tolson immediately taking, the note was accordingly cancelled.

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Genll. Letter from Pondicherry relating to the Amity Brigte.

General Letter N. 49 from the Govr. and Councill of Pondicherry read, dated 15th. July N.S. in which they tell us that there being a Kings Court of Justice erected at Mascarine independent of Pondicherry they Cannot take Cognizance of the Confiscation of the Amity Brigantine.

ORDERED, that the Owners of her be informed of this that they may take their measure in time to apply to Europe, if they think fit.

Master of Ship Margt. & Chief Mate deliver in upon Oath his narrative of the Massacre &ct. at Juddah.

Captain Charles Gray Commander of the Margaret, and Mr. Matthew Rockcliffe cheif Mate of the said Ship attend the board, and give in, in writing, narratives of the murther of Mr. Hill &ca. and the Detension of that Ship at Judda, which they Signed before the board, and were thereupon Sworn to the truth of.

Copies of wch. are dd. Mr. Adams.

ORDERED, that Copys of the said narratives be enterd after this Consultation and the original Delivered to Mr. Addams owner of the said Ship [for] the purposes he desired in Consultation of the 27th. Ultimo.

a Months wages pd. the George brigte.

The Storekeeper presents an Account of Wages due to the George Brigantine to this day amounting to fifty seven pagodas, Six fanams 57. 6 as enterd hereafter.

Storekeepers ballce. for May pd. in

He also pays into Cash Eleven hundred and Sixty pagodas, three fanams & forty cash, 1160. 3. 40 for Ballance of his May months Account.

Mr. Robt. Mains petition for administration to the Estate of Henry Ross decd.

Petition of Robert Maine Read, and enterd praying that the Books and papers belonging to the estate of Henry Ross deceased may be Delivered him, and also that a Sume of money belonging to the said estate now lying in the Companys Cash may also be Delivered he producing an original Letter of administration to James Ross, and a Letter of Attorney from him, to the said Maine, and the Reverend Mr. William Leeke, who is since deceased.

All the papers dd. him but wt. money was pd. into Cos. Cash Accot. the Estate to remain there.

ORDERED, that the bonds papers &ca. belonging to that estate be delivered, but it was agreed that having already advised the Company that this money was paid into their Cash on account the said Estate, it cannot be paid out again here, because it is very probable, they will have paid it in England,

Silver ℔ Heathcote reported to be right.

The Warehousekeeper reports to the board, that having examined the Heathcotes Silver, in Company with Mr. Burton, and the Assay master he found it came out all agreable to invoice.

Rupees bot. in for the Company.

The President observing to the board that the Gentlemen in Bengall press very much for a large Supply of Cash, and offering twelve thousand two hundred 12200 Madrass Rupees he had by him to the board at three hundred and five 305 for one hundred Pagodas 100 being the price they cost him AGREED that the Warehousekeeper, purchase them at that rate it being also the now currant price of the place.

Mr. Peers allow'd his Silver.

At reading the last Consultation for signing, Mr. Charles Peers delivered a Request to the board desiring his Silver then seized might be delivered him, he giving bond to be accountable for the produce, if it should appear the Company had not permitted the said Silver to Come out, which petition was rejected, but upon occasion thereof, the President told the Board, that the quarter the Company had been pleased to give him, he would give up to Mr. Peers, and therefore Consented that quarter might be delivered him, He also thereupon observed that there was no encouragement to any informer for finding out such unlicensed Silver Corall &ca. Goods, and that therefore there was little likelyhood of any being informed of, wherefore he proposed that they should make an order giving another quarter to any person who should inform of such Contraband trade, which being AGREED TO, and Mr. Peers having

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himself informed of this Silver, it is ORDERD, that the said quarter, and that which the President relinquishes to him be Delivered up and that the other half be kept in the Company's Godown.

JA^{S}. MACRAE.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG : BURTON.

THE TOWN OF MADRASSAPATAM. Ss—

A full, true, and exact Account of the Particulars which happened at Gedda in the Red Sea during the Stay, and detainment of Ship Margarett as they in any wise Related or had Reference to the most inhuman and barbarous Massacrae there Committed on the Gentlemen belonging to Ships Margarett and Prince George in the Year 1727 or to the Seizure or keeping of the said Ships in that Port during the space of ten months, to the Ruin of said Voyage, and apparent Loss, of every one therein concerned, Given in upon Oath, and Sworn to by Charles Gray Commander of said Ship Margarett, before the Govern^{r}. Councill, and Justices for the time being at Madrass.

I CHARLES GRAY of the East Indies Mariner make Oath that being employed by the Worshipfull Robert Adams Esq^{r}. Cheif at Tellicherry & M^{r}. Thomas Hill. to Sail and Navigate the Ship Margarett to the Port of Gidda in the Red Sea, was on the 29th. day of January Dispatched from Tellicherry aforesaid (the abovementioned Mr. Hill being Supra Cargoes of said Ship) for the port of Gidda aforesaid, where the said Ship arrived the Eighteenth day of March in wholesome and good Condition, the said M^{r}. Thomas Hill being Courteously received and meeting with all encouragement he could expect in the Sale and Disposal of the Cargoe of Ship Margarett aforesaid, That on or about the fourteenth day of April, arriv'd the Prince George a Merchant Ship from Bengall at the aforesaid Port of Gidda, with whom Wee preserv'd a good understanding : On the said Ships arrival at Gidda, She happen'd to have Seven Arab Lasscars on board, who took an opportunity to Swim ashore and were taken up by the Bashaws orders and put into prison, and upon Captain Dalgleish's request and promise not to punish them, they were sent on board the said Ship again, that it happened in the months of May and June following Severall of our Lascars or black Sailors Musselmen belonging to the Margarett Died, and having given leave to the rest of their Religion to bury their Corps, as was most Conformable thereunto, they had not took Sufficient care to cover them with Earth so as to keep them from the observation of the Fishermen who passed the little Islands, where they had lain them, the people were hereby alarm'd and reported Captain Dalgleish had notwithstanding his word to Bashaw, Revenged himself upon the Arab Sailors and put them to Death, whereupon the Bashaw on the 5th. of June having sent for Captain Dalgleish's Linguist, and tax't him with such accusation of the people, on the Sixth sent on board the prince George a Special Messenger to enquire about it who found them all well, and without Complaint, the same Messenger came Directly on board the Margarett, and made like enquiry after the usage of our Seamen, and finding no Complaints, as he was walking to and frô espied a Lascar who had died in the night, whom the rest were preparing to bury, he immediataly left the Ship, and at some distance made threatning motions, and as we Supposed used the like Language; that the Consequence was an order received from Mr. Hill to send the Corps immediately ashore, with a piece of cloth he sent to wrap it in, which accordingly I did, but the sailors apprehending no ill happened to carry it to an improper place w^{ch}. exposed it, to much to the view of the Populace and as I beleive was one great Cause of the barbarity that ensued, which I can give no particulars from my own knowledge being that day on board, from the Orders I had received to be in readiness to Sail the Evening of the said Sixth of June, on which this Messenger aforesaid had been on board being likewise the same day on which the Massacre happen'd, We saw from our Ship three boats full of men put of about 6 a

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Clock from the Bashaws house a mile or two from where We Anchored, and made towards the Ships in the Road, and at the same time saw our Pinnace move from the Landing place she was at towards the Bashaws house, by w^ch^. and her unusual Stay ashore at a time I expect'd M^r^. Hill of in order to Sail, could not but Conjecture some misfortune had happen'd ashoar, And thereupon with the advise of my Officers, made all Preparations for the Defence of my Vessell and more particularly from the approach of the night, about Seven a Clock as it grew Dark the 3 abovementioned boats passed us at some distance, and as we Supposed designed for the Prince George, but night coming on could not be certain whether they went there or not, about Eight I sent my Second Mate in the Yaw'l to row towards the said Prince George to gain what intelligince he could at a Distance from his own observation, who before he had got ½ way thither Spying two boats making towards our Ship He returned and gave us notice of their coming, as soon as we could See one of them, wee hailed her and found it was the Prince George's pinnace, M^r^. Fullerton purser of Prince George; and M^r^. Cross the Cheif mate, who answered us as friends, by the time they had got on board a Country boat was likewise a long Side of us, with the Linguist belonging to the Gentlemen of the Prince George, and Several Soldiers, We demanded of M^r^. Fullerton what arm'd men those were in the Boats with him. who answer'd the Arabs were all in Arms ashoar and had a design of Seizing all the Boats of the place in order to possess themselves of our Ships; And these were armed men the Bashaw had sent to assist us in case of such assault that night from the Arabs, at the same time telling us they had received the like number on board the Prince George, for the like purpose, We not knowing then the Barbarity that had happened ashoar, and having hitherto been Courteously received by the Bashaw, were induced to admitt these men aboard in number eighteen apprehending in case of a Refusal of such offer'd Civility the Bashaw might be Offended, besides having 90 Men aboard, Wee had no Danger to Apprehend from them, After they were aboard, M^r^. Fullerton having Recovered himself from the Hurry his Spirits Seem'd in at coming aboard, Related to us the particulars of the Inhuman Accident that had happened on Shoar and with his Linguist took leave of us, M^r^. Cross afors^d^. being out of order continued on board till next day on which nothing material happened, the day after June the 8^th^. in the morning M^r^. Fullerton and Linguist came on board us a second time in comp^y^. with a large Number of Boats, attending the Caia Caddi and General of the Janasaries, and severall Merchants of the place, who had all been on board Prince George, All which used the Specious pretext of Condoling the misfortune which had happen'd ashoar, in the Bashaw's name, and in his name likewise Assuring us of all the Reparation that was possible, first they asked us after the Goods on board that they might make Estimation of what was lost, for that the Bashaw was resolved everything should be restored us before we left the Port, for which purpose he had proclaimd a Reward of 10 ℔ Cent for all moneys that should be Discovered belonging to us, as likewise Stopt all the Roads to prevent the carrying out of either money or Goods, these assurances M^r^. Fullerton much Corroborated by an earnest perswasion to give them an exact Account of what we had on board, adding that he had done so likewise, which as soon as we had complied with and had given them, the Coxswain of the Bashaw, a man of no small Power in the place, gave orders to the people he had there under his Command, to unbend our Sails, Strike our Yards, and Topmast and Moor the Ship, which was accordingly perform'd, for it was to no purpose to dispute any thing they ordered, from the number of Attendants, the Persons aforesaid Accompanying M^r^. Fullerton, had brought on board with them, They likewise called up the whole Ships Company and required what Complaints they had against me, and w[h]ether they were Contented I should continue their Commander Who answering in the affirmative, They desir'd me to go ashoar with them to the Bashaw, which after foregoing Circumstances, I was obliged to Comply with, and in Company with M^r^. Fullerton and Captain Cross waited on the Bashaw, who Affected Concern for what had happened, Assured us of his Protection, and upon requesting the Janasaries might be removed out of our Ships, he promised they should continue but a few Days, till full Satisfaction was made of our monies and goods, adding should either of the Ships depart leaving any thing behind, it might

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occasion the Loss of his head, he gave us the usual presents of the place, and permitted me to go on board that night, On the 11th. of June I went ashoar to obtain leave for my men, who had been ashoar, since the Sixth instant with the Pinnace to come ashoar which was refused, Save for two the mobb had then wounded, On the 18th. the Zerriffe of Mecha having arrived on this occasion, Wee Mr. Fullerton, Cross and myself, were sent for before the said Zeriff, Bashaw, two Muslies, of Medina, and Mecha, two Caddies of Mecha and Gidda, The Visier, and Surat Noquidas together with all the Merchants, and people of note in the place, after their Ceremoniously condoling with us, on the late Barbarity, The Zeriff told us, he had come from Mecha on purpose to assist us in having Justice done us, and to prevent farther insults then enquired of each Separately, the amot. of our Losses, which in my turn I answer'd, was unknown to me, but that Mr. Hill had told me the day before the misfortune happened, he had in the house about 10,000 Gidda Dollars in Gold, none of which had come on board, the Bashaw replied, he Knew our Loss was about that Sume, after they had made use of many smooth expressions, and assurances of Friendship, Wee took occasion to press them for the Removal of the Janasaries or Soldiers out of our Ships, from whom the Officers, and others aboard had Received Continual Insults, which they would comply with on no other Conditions, but that Captain Cross and myself remaining (Prisoners) ashoar, which being in their Power to force us, We agreed to it and accordingly took our leaves.

That on the 28, the Bashaw, sent for us, Mr. Fullerton, Crosse, and myself, and in the presence of the Vesier, Surat, Noquidas, and most of the Merchts. of the place told us he was then going to keep his Hodge, but that at his return, he would dispatch us with the Surat Ships, and by that time hoped he Should have Recovered most of our money, & Goods that were missing, and then demanded of us to bring our Sails ashoar, which, was not in our power to oppose being Prisoners as before mention'd, besides that about an hour before, he had taken possession of our Longboat, with 14 Lascars as they came ashoar to water, So that from the want of these, and five others mentioned to be ashoar in the Pinnace, had we even had leave to Sail out with our ships, We could not have done it, for want of people on board And again had we had our whole Complement of men aboard and every thing ready for Sailing We could not have proposed carrying out Ship ₱ force, there being two of the grand Seigniors Galley's in the road which undoubtedly would [have] had orders to Stop us, Besides the Surat Ships lay within pistoll Shott of us, with their Yards and Topmasts up, which would soon have been man'd with Janasaries and Arabs to oppose us, the Difficulty likewise of finding the Channell made the risque to[o] great for us to attempt, All these Considerations being (as before) Prisoner forced us to a Complyance, in Sending for our Sails with which they brought likewise ashoar, all our Lascars moreover at this time We entertaind hopes that their pretended design of dispatching us might be Sincere, That on the 4th. of July the Kaya by his Messenger sent me an order to give my Lascars (ashoar as before) three months pay in order to go to the Hodge, with a promise they should return to me again, On 28, by another order from the Government was obliged to pay all the Lascars 5 months pay, at which time none had before quitted me failed to appear, and their Insolence was so great by the underhand support of the Governmt. that it was with difficulty I was freed from a demand they made upon me, for wages of men some time since dead, in fine I was Compelled to allow them Wood water, and Provisions to live ashoar, and out of 34 I thus paid wages to, and allowance ashoar, the next morning there were but 13, and a Tendall to be found for all which I had no remedy, That from this time to February next ensuing, nothing happened material, save a Strict Confinement to the Town, being always attended with a Guard, and even So guarded was allowed but once after several days Sollicitation to go aboard my Ship, That on Febry. the 29, arrived one Dominico Kindle, a Druggerman to Mr. Stanian, the British ambassador at Constantinople to Solicit our Discharge which he so far Succeeded in, that on the 13 of March We had leave from the Bashaw to send our Sails on board, On the 15, I was permitted to go on board for the Second time, with a Guard, On the 21st. the Zerriffe came to Gidda, as I beleive to adjust the affair of

our Departure, Solicited by M^r^. Stanians Druggerman, Zerriffe &c., rais'd many Difficulty's to oppose our Departure, such as insisting on Security from us, that we should make no reprisals which he Supported by false peices of news, that the English had already took a Surat Ship in Reprisal M^r^. Fullerton and my Self from long experience of their ill Usage much apprehended they did not design to dismiss us, wherefore having our Sails on board We resolved to risque the Carrying out without any further Application of both Ships, which Captain Cross, and I having Stole on board, my Self Accordingly Effected, on the 22^d^. 23^d^. & 24^th^. day's of March 1727/8.

This is the fullest and truest relation of this most Inhuman Affair, that I am at this time Capable of giving, Which I must willingly both Swear & Subscribe to.

CHARLES GRAY.
JAMES MACRAE.
ROBERT SYMONDS.
JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SAMUEL HYDE.

Jurat Coram Nobis
15°. *Die Julii* 1728.

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A full true and Exact account of the Particulars which happen'd at Gidda in the Red Sea dureing the Stay & detainment of Ship Margaret, as they in any wise related or had reference to the most inhuman and Barbarous masacre there Committed on the Gentleman belonging to the Ships Margarett and Prince George, in the Year 1727 or to the Seizure or keeping of the said Ships in that Port dureing the space of ten months to the ruin of the said Voyage and apparent loss of every one Concerned therein, Given in upon Oath and Sworn to by Matthew Rockliffe Cheif mate of said Ship Margarett before the Governour, Council, and Justices for the time being at Madras.

I MATTHEW ROCKLIFFE of the East Indies marriner make Oath that being employed by the Worshipfull Robert Adams Esq^r^. Cheif at Tellicherry, and M^r^. Tho^s^. Hill as Cheif mate of the Ship Margarett, whereof Charles Gray was master, and bound to the Port of Gidda in the Red Sea did on the 29^th^. of January sail from Tellicherry aforesaid (the abovemention'd M^r^. Thomas Hill being Supra Cargo of said Ship) for the Port of Gidda aforesaid where the Ship arrived on the Eighteenth day of March in wholesome and good Condition, the said M^r^. Thomas Hill being Courteously received, and meeting with all encouragement he could expect in the Disposall of the Cargoe of the ship Margarett aforesaid, that on or about the fourteenth day of April the Prince George a Merchant Ship from Bengall arrived at the aforesaid Port of Gidda with whom we preserved a good understanding, on the said Ships arrival at Gidda she happened to have severall Arab Lascars on board who taking an opportunity Swam on Shoar, they were taken up by the Bashaw's orders, and put in prison, and upon Cap^t^. Dagleish request (who Commanded the aforesaid Ship Prince George) and promise not to punish them they were sent on board the said Ship again, That it happen'd in the months of May and June following severall Lascars or black Sailors Musselmen belonging to ship Margaret dyed the Captain giving leave to the rest of their Religion to bury their Corps as was most Conformable thereunto, they had not took Sufficient care to Cover them with Earth, so as to keep them from the Observation of the fishermen who passed the little Islands, where they had laid them, the people were hereby alarm'd, and reported Captain Dalglesh had notwithstanding his word to the Bashaw, reveng'd himself upon the Arab Sailors and put them to Death, whereupon the Bashaw sent for Captain Dalgleish's Linguist, and tax't him with such Accusation of the people, on the Sixth day of June he sent on board the Prince George a Special Messenger to enquire about it who found them all well and without Complaint, the same Messenger came Directly on board the Margarett, and made the like enquiry after the usage of our Seamen and

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finding no Complaints, he was walking to and frô espied a Lascar, who died in the night, whom the rest were prepairing to Bury he began to make a noise and immediately left the Ship, and at some distance made threatning motions, and as we Suppose used the like language, that the Consequence was, the Cap^{t}. received an order from M^{r}. Hill to send the Corps immediately on shoar with a peice of Cloth he sent to wrap it in which was accordingly done, but the Sailors apprehending no ill, happend to carry it to an improper place, which exposed it to much to the View of the populace, and as I beleive was one great Cause of the barbarity that ensued of which I can give no particulars of my own knowledge being on board, being likewise the day on which the Massacre happened, we saw from our Ships three boats full of men put off about Six a Clock from the Bashaws house, a mile or two from w[h]ere we anchored, and made towards the Ships in the road, at the Same time our Pinnace was moved from the place w[h]ere she lay to the Bashaw house, by which and her unusual stay on shoar at a time M^{r}. Hill was expected on board in order to Sail gave the Captain reason to beleive some misfortune had happen'd on Shoar, whereupon he Called me and the Second mate, told us w^{t}. he thought of this Affair, and asked our opinions, which we gave whereupon he Ordered the Ship to be put in readiness for defence, which was accordingly performd, about Seven a Clock as it grew dark, the three abovementioned boats of men passed by us at some distance, and as we Supposed designed for the Prince George, but night coming on could not be certain w[h]ether they went there or not, about eight the Captain sent the Second mate in the Yawl to row towards the said Prince George, to gain what intelligence he could at a Distance by his own Observation, who before he had got half way thither saw two boats making towards the Ship, he return'd and gave us notice of their coming, as soon as we could see one of them we hail'd her, and found it was the Prince George's Pinnace with M^{r}. Fullerton Purser of Prince George, and M^{r}. Cross the Cheif mate, who answer'd us as friends, by the time they had got on board a Country boat was likewise alongside of us, with the Linguist belonging to the Gentlemen of Prince George and Several Soldiers, we Demanded of Mr. Fullerton what armed men those were in the boats with them, who answered the Arabs were all up in Arms on Shore, and had a design of Seizing all the boats in the place in order to possess themselves of our Ships, and that these were men the Bashaw had Sent to Assist us in case of such Assault that night from the Arabs, at the same time telling us they had received the like number on board the Prince George, for the like purpose We not Justly knowing then the Barbarity that had happened on Shore, and having hitherto been Courteously received by the Bashaw were induced to admit these men on board in Number eighteen, M^{r}. Fullerton having recover'd himself from the Hurry his Seem'd in, at coming on board, related to us the particulars of the Inhuman Affair that had happen'd on Shoar, and with his [*lacuna*] took leave of us, M^{r}. Cross being out of order continu'd on board of us till next day on which nothing material happen'd, the day after June the 8th. in the morning, M^{r}. Fullerton M^{r}. Cross and Linguist came on board of us a 2^{d}. time in Company with a large number of boats, attending the Caia Caddi, General of the Janasaries, and Several Merchants of the place, who had all been on board the Prince George, all which used the Specious pretext of Condoling the misfortune had happen'd on Shore in the Bashaw's name; and in his name likewise assuring us of all the reperation that was possible, they asked after the Goods on board that they might make estimation of what was lost for that the Bashaw was resolved every thing should be return'd us, before we left the Port, for which purpose he had proclaim'd a reward of 10 ℔ Cent for all moneys that should be discover'd belonging to us, as likewise stopp'd all the roads to prevent the Carrying out either money or goods. M^{r}. Fullerton much Corroborated these Assurances of Justice they gave us by an earnest persuasion to give them an exact Acco^{t}. of what we had on board adding that he had done so likewise W^{ch}. as soon as Cap^{t}. Grey Complied wth. & had given them the Coxen of the Bashaw a Man [of] no small power in the place gave orders to the people who were under his Command to unbend our Sails, Strike the yards & Topmasts & moore the Ship w^{ch}. was Accordingly done for it was to no purpose to dispute any thing they order'd from the number of Attendants they bro^{t}. wth. them, they likewise call'd

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up the whole Ships Company & Enquir'd what Complaints they had against the Cap^{t}. & whither they were Contented he should continue his Command, who answering in the Affirmative, they desir'd him to go ashore wth. them to the Bashaw w^{ch}. he accordingly Complied wth. & return'd on board the same evening June 11th. Cap^{t}. Gray went ashore to get leave for the people that escap'd the Massacre & the Pinnace to bring them on board, but was denied, only two that was wounded by the Mob he bro^{t}. on board wth. him the same Evening June 18th. the Zeriph of Mecca having arriv'd at Judda Cap^{t}. Grey was sent for ashore the same day he got an order for the Janisarries to be taken of our Ship from whom we had rec'd a great many insults, but did not come on board himself, for about five months—June the 28th. by the Cap^{ts}. Order sent the Longboat ashore for Water wth. about fourteen Lascars in her; they took possession of her & kept the people ashore, the same day I rec'd an Order from Cap^{t}. Gray to send all our Sails ashore wth. all the Mussulmen w^{ch}. was accordingly perform'd—February 29th. 1727/8 arriv'd one Dominico Kendall a Druggerman to M^{r}. Stanyan the British Ambassadour at Constantinople. March 13th. came on board all our Sails. March 15th. Cap^{t}. Gray came on to give necessary orders concerning the Ship, but not wthout a guard & return'd again the same evening. March 21st. Cap^{t}. Gray came on board, having first been on board the Prince George, he call'd for me & the Second Mate & told us they design'd to detain the Ships till the Hodge was come that they might be sure no reprisals would be made by the English on the Surat Shipping; All agreed to carry the Ship out, w^{ch}. accordingly we perform'd on the 22^{d}. 23^{d}. 24th. & 25th. days of March 1728.

This is the fullest & truest relation of this inhumane affair, that I am at this time capable of giving w^{ch}. I most willing both swear & Subscribe to

MATHEW ROCKCILFE.

Jurat coram nobis 15^{o} *die Julie* 1728.

JAMES MACRAE.
ROBERT SYMMONDS.
JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE.
SAMUEL HYDE.

WAGES DUE TO THE GEORGE BRIGANTINE FROM 15TH. JUNE TO 15TH. JULY 1728.

John Pye	18	6	—
First Mate	12	—	—
Second Do	10	—	—
Caulker	3	—	—
Tondell	3	—	—
eight Lascars	16	—	—
Pag^{e}.	57	6	—

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JULY 1728.

JOHN PYE.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}. &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF ROBERT MAIN SHEWETH.

That y^{r}. Petitioner having recd. from M^{r}. James Ross brother to Henry Ross dec^{sd}. late of this place, Copies of Letters of Administration taken out by him in Doctors Commons, for the managements of the said deceas'd effects, together wth. a letter of Attorney from the said James Ross to y^{r}. Petitioner & the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. W^{m}. Leake who having rec'd orders from the said James Ross to receive & collect in All the Effects of the said Henry Ross & afterwards to pay it into the Companys Cash for

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bills on the Hon^ble. Court of Directors, Y^r. Petitioner therefore prays that Y^r. Hon^r. &c^t. will please to order all the papers, books &c^t. Acco^ts. of the said Henry Ross to be deliver'd to him & also all money hitherto collected in on that Acco^t.

& Whereas the Hon^ble. Court of Directors were by the last years Ships advis'd that a Sum of money belonging to deceas'd was paid into Cash & so it may possibly be thought they paid the Said Sum at home.

Y^r. Petitioner humbly represents that it is not likely the said James Ross should after having given such orders as y^r. Petitioner has rec'd, trouble himself about this Matter till he should [receive] advices from your Petitioner & he being so entirely a Stranger to the Customs & forms of the transactions w^th. the Company, would not know in what Manner to apply there for the same, w^ch. doubtless was the reason of his Acting in the manner he has done, & nominating persons in India to receive & remit this money to him, besides as Y^r. Petitioner is to take bills on the Company for the money & that those bills are to express that the remittance is on Acco^t. of the Estate of Henry Ross; if the Company should have pay'd the money in England they of Course stop payment of the bills.

Y^r. Petitioner humbly prays y^r. Hon^r. &c^t. will comply w^th. his request & As in duty bound &c^t.

To the Hon^ble. James Macrae Esq^r.

President & Gov^r. of Fort S^t. George &c^r. Council.

Hon^ble. S^r. S^rs.

There being an order for the seisure of some Silver w^ch. came ashore from the Heathcote, I beg leave to inform y^r. Hon^r. &c^t. that it belongs to me, & tho' there is no mention made of it in the manifest occasion'd by a neglect in the Companys Officers, I do assure y^r. Hon^r. &c^t. that the duties thereon have been discharg'd in Europe & the three ℔ Cent p^d. them for permission my father having wrote me so in his Letter & Charg'd me for it, but as the Hon^ble. Company have given an order for the seisure of all Silver not manifested can ask y^r. Hon^r. &c^t. no farther indulgence in relation to my Silver than that it be deliver'd me upon my giving bond for the redelivery thereof, if it appears to have been Clandestinely sent out. Y^r. Hon^r. &c^t. consenting to my request will be of great Service to

Hon^ble. S^r. & S^rs.

Fort S^t. George
15^th. July 1728.

Y^r. most obedient humble Serv^t.
Charles Peers.

Ketch Whynot Benjamin Wallis Master sail'd for Bengal. 16
Sloop Rama came w^th. bales from F. S^t. David. 19
rec'd by Tappies a gen^ll. from F^t. S^t. David dated 17^th. —
Ship Paterahemani sail'd for Tennsseree. 22

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY. THE 22D. JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESIDT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Paymasters Accot. for June read.

John Roach Paymaster reads that Account for last month Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Ps. 1288	29	40
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospitall	66	23	—
Sorting Godown Screws	18	11	60
Charges Extraordinary	1	—	—
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Charges Generall	394	21	20
Charges Diet	583	12	—
New Powder house	592	17	60
Repairs of Fortifications	42	10	10
Pags.	3079	5	30

Ballance due to him five hundred seventy nine Pagodas, five fanams and thirty Cash, Ps. 579. 6. 30 which is now paid him.

Extra expence examin'd.

The extraordinary expence of this month consists in the following particulars,

SORTING GODOWN SCREWS.						
Workmen &c. employ'd in making them.				Ps.	18	11	60
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.						
Christning a Soldiers Child					1	—	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.						
Allowance mony to the Widow Burton and her Children					25	—	—
NEW POWDER HOUSE.						
Workmen employed in Building, Digging &ca.	88	21	—			
Materials used	503	32	60			
					592	17	60
Pags.					636	29	40

[Sea] Customers Accot. for June read.

Randall Fowke, Sea Customer reads that Account for last month Vizt.

Custom on goods imported	Ps. 1616	13	72
Do. on Grain	259	6	44
Anchorage	41	18	—
Pags.	1917	2	36

ballance due from him seven thousand three hundred, seventy seven pagodas, fourteen fanams and forty two Cash 7377. 14. 42 of which he now pays two thousand 2000 pagodas.

Expt. & Impt. Warehousekeeper Accot. for June read.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper, reads that Account for last month. ballance due from him, one hundred, twenty seven pagodas three fanams, and seventy Cash 127 : 3 : 70 which is carried to next months Account.

He also reads the Import Warehouse Account for the last month, ballance due from him, four hundred thirty five pagodas, twenty two fanams & twenty two Cash 435. 22. 22 of which he pays four hundred 400 pagodas.

Storekeepers Accot. for June read.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper reads that Account for last month, ballance due from him two thousand three hundred forty four Pagodas, twenty two fanams and fifty two Cash 2344 : 22 : 52. in part of which he paid last Consultation, eleven hundred and Sixty pagodas, three fanams & Forty Cash 1160 : 3 : 40.

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James Macrae Esq^{r}. Mintmaster reads that Account for last month, ballance due from him, Five thousand four hundred, and three Rupees, fourteen Annaes 5403. 14. — which are carried to next months Account, and one hundred and fifty nine pagodas, three fanams, and fifteen cash 159 : 3 : 15 which is now paid in. Mint Acco^{t}. for June read.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash eleven pagodas, thirty fanams, being the half of the sale of the Moorees and Indigo, which he reported the Seizure of, in Consultation of the 10th. Ult^{o}. ½ produce of of Moorees & Indigo seis'd at the Choultry paid in.

ORDERED, that the Heathcote be dispatched on Saturday the 27th. Ins^{t}. to Bengall and that she touch at Vizagapatam and carry thither twenty thousand, 20000 new pagodas, and twelve thousand 12000 rupees for the Years Supply. a Supply of Cash order'd to Vizagapatam on the Heathcote.

also ORDERED, that the Warehousekeeper & Storekeeper do get their indents for wares and Stores wanted from Bengall, ready to go by her, and also of Stores for Viza. & Bengal.

that the Stores indented for from Vizagapatam be sent on her thither, and

there being great Reason to believe a pattamar from Bengall has miscarried, by which in all possibility, we should have received a Demand for Redwood, and the Heathcote having room, AGREED that we do send one hundred 100 Tons on her to the Bay. 100 Tun redwood order'd to Bengal on the Heathcote.

General Letter N^{o}. 50 from the Deputy Governour and Councill of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 17th. Instant, Read inclosing invoice and Bill of Lading for bales on the Ramah Gen^{l}. Letter from F. S^{t}. David.

Samuel Sutcliffe, second mate of the Margarett, delivers to the board his narrative of the Juddah Affair, which being read to him he Signed before the Board, and was thereupon sworn to the truth thereof. deposition of Second Mate of Ship Margaret touching this affair.

ORDERED, that the said narrative be copied after this Consultation, and the original delivered M^{r}. Adams as the two former were.

A Petition from the Patan Merchants Freighters on Ship James lately lost in Bengall river read, Complaining that the master of her had imbezzled their goods, and desiring Justice. Petition from Patans freighters on ship James.

AGREED, that a Copy of their Petition be enterd after this Consultation, and another sent to Bengall with our General Letter by the Heathcote, and that we desire the President & Council there to make strict enquiry into this Affair. recommended to the President & Council of Bengal.

This day James Macrae Esq^{r}. Robert Symonds, John Roach, Randall Fowke, and Samuel Hyde Esq^{r}. justices of this town of Madrassapatam, Augustus Burton Esq^{r}. Sherriffe, Francis Rous, Lewis de Medieros, Thomas Weston, William Monson, John Bulkley, Edward Brackstone, Paul Foxley and Thomas Norman, Aldermen, and George Torriano Clerk of the Crown, took the oath of Allegiance to his Majesty King George the second. Oath of Allegiance administerd to the Justices of the peace, Mayor and Aldermen, Sheriff & Clerk of the Crown.

The President representing to the Board that M^{r}. Pitt had wrote him desiring to come up for a few days on some necessary Affairs of his own, it is agreed to. M^{r}. Pitt permitted to come up from F^{t}. S^{t}. David for a few days.

ORDERED that a Letter be wrote to Fort S^{t}. David to permit him so to do.

Petition from Richard Combes Surgeon of the Heathcote read as entered after this Consultation, desireing his allowance of head mony for fourteen Soldiers, which the paymaster is ordered to pay him. headmoney paid the Surgeon of the Heathcote.

The Clerk of the Crown pays into Cash five 5 pagodas being a fine laid on one Mootamarra, who was complained of by the Grand Jury at the last Sessions of the peace, for Contempt, and fined by the Court in that Sume. a fine of Court p^{d}. into Cash.

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Vizagapatam directed to supply Ingeram w^th^. Cash.

Having agreed on so large a supply for Vizagapatam, it was resolved, that we direct them to let M^r^. Sanderson have, what money he has occasion for, for carrying on the Investment at Ingerum.

JA^s^. MACRAE.
ROB^T^. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^LL^. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

THE TOWN OF MADRASSAPATAM. Ss

A Full true and exact Account of the particulars which happen'd at Gidda in the Red Sea during the Stay and Detension of Ship Margaret as they in any wise Related or had Reference to the most Inhuman and barbarous Massacre there Committed on the Gentlemen belonging to Ships Margaret & Prince George in the Year 1727, or to the Seizure or keeping of the said Ship in that Port during the Space of ten months to the ruin of the said Voyage, and Apparent Loss of every one therein Concern'd, Given in upon Oath and Sworn to by Samuel Sutcliffe Second mate of the said Ship Margarett before the Governour Councill & Justices for the time being at Madrassapatam.

I SAMNUL SUTCLIFFE of the East Indies Mariner make Oath that being employd by the Worshipfull Robert Adams Esq^r^. Cheif of Tellicherry and M^r^. Thomas Hill, as second mate of Ship Margarett whereof Charles Gray was master and bound to the Port of Gidda in the Red Sea; did on the 29 of January Sail from Tellicherry aforesaid, the abovementioned M^r^. Thomas Hill being Supra Cargo of the Said Ship for the Port of Gidda afores^d^. where the said Ship arrived on the 18 day of March in wholsome and good Condition, the said M^r^. Tho^s^. Hill being Courteously received, and meeting with all Encouragement he could expect in the Disposal of the Cargoe of the Ship Margaret aforesaid, that on or about the 14^th^. day of April the Prince George a Merchant Ship from Bengal arrived at the aforesaid Port of Gidda with whom we preserved a good understanding, On the said Ships arrival at Gidda she happened to have several Arab Lascars on board who took an opportunity to swim ashoar, they were taken up by the Bashaws orders and put in Prison, and upon Captain Dalgleish's Request (who Commanded the aforesaid Prince George) and promise not to punish them they were sent aboard the said Ship again, That it happen'd in the months of May and June following several Lascars or black Sailors Musselmen belonging to Ship Margarett dyed the Captain giving leave to the rest of their Religion to bury their Corps, as was most conformable thereunto, they had not took Sufficient care to cover them with Earth, so as to keep them from the observation of the Fishermen who passed the little Islands where they had laid them, the people where hereby alarmd, reported Captain Dalgleish had and notwithstanding his word to the Bashaw reveng'd himself upon the Arab Soldiers and put them to Death, Whereupon the Bashaw sent for Captain Dalgleish's Linguist and taxed him with such accusation of the People, On the Sixth he sent aboard the Prince George a Special Messenger to enquire about it, who found them all well and without Complaint, the same Messenger came Directly on board the Margarett & made the like enquiry after the usage of our Seamen, and finding no Complaints as he was walking to & fro espied a Lascar who had dyed in the night whom the rest were prepairing to bury, he began to make a noise immediately left the Ship & at some distance made threatning Motions and as we supposed used the like language, that the Consequence was, the Captain received an order from M^r^. Hill to send the Corps immediately ashore with a peice of Cloth he sent to wrap it in which was accordingly done but the Sailors apprehending no ill happened to carry it to an improper place which exposed it too much to the view of the populace, and as I believe was one great Cause of the Barbarity that ensued, which I can give no particulars of from my own knowledge being on board, The evening of the said

sixth of June on which this Messenger aforesaid had been on board, being likewise the same day on w^ch^. the Massacre happened, we saw from our Ship three boats full of men put off about Six a Clock from the Bashaw's house a mile or two from where we anchored and made towards the Ships in the road and at the same time our Pinnace was removed from the place w[h]ere she lay to the Bashaws house by which and her unusual stay on shore at a time when M^r^. Hill was expected on board in order to sail gave the Captain reason to beleive sóme misfortune had happen'd on Shore whereupon he called me an[d] the Cheif Mate and told us what he thought of this Affair, and asked our opinions which we gave whereupon he ordered the Ship to be put in readiness for defence which was accordingly perform'd about seven a Clock as it grew dark the three abovementioned boats of Men passed by at some distance and as we supposed designed for the Prince George but night coming on could not be certain w[h]ether they went there or not, about eight a Clock the Cap^ts^. sent me in the Yawl to row towards the said Prince George to gain what Intelligence I could at a distance by my own observation, Before I could get half way thither I saw two boats making towards m[y] Ship I return'd immediately on board and acquainted the Captain of their coming, as soon as we could see one of them we haild her, and found it was the Prince Georges Pinnace with M^r^. Fullerton Purser of Prince George and M^r^. Cross Cheif Mate who answered us as friends, by the time they had got on board a Country Boat was likewise a long side of us with the Linguist belonging to the Gentlemen of the Prince George and several Soldiers, We demanded of M^r^. Fullerton what arm'd men those were in the Boats with him who answer'd the Arabs were all up in Arms on shore and had a design of Seizing all the boats in the place in order to possess themselves of our ships, and that these were men the Bashaw had sent to assist us in Case of such Assault that night from the Arabs at the same time telling us they had received the like number on board the Prince George for the like purpose, we not justly knowing then the Barbarity that had happen'd on Shore and having hitherto been Courteously received by the Bashaw were induced to admit these men on board in number eighteen, M^r^. Fullerton having recovered himself from the hurry his Spirits seem'd in at first coming on board related to us the particulars of the Inhumane Accident that had happened on shore, and with his Linguist took leave of us, M^r^. Cross being out of order continued on board till the next day on which nothing material happen'd. The day after June the 8 in the morning M^r^. Fullerton and the Linguist came on board a Second time in Company with a large number of Boats attending the Cai Caddi General of the Janasaries and several Merchants of the place who had all been on board the Prince George, all which used the Specious pretext of Condoling the misfortune that had happened on shore in the Bashaw's name, and in his name likewise assuring us of all the reperation that was possible, first they asked after the goods on board that they might make estimation of what was lost for that the Bashaw was resolved every thing should be return'd us before we left the Port for which purpose he had proclaim'd a reward of ten ℔ Cent for all moneys that should be discover'd belonging to us and likewise stopt all roads to prevent Carrying out of either money or Goods, These assurances of Justice they gave us, M^r^. Fullerton corrobarated by an earnest perswasion to give them an exact Account of what we had on board adding that he had done so likewise which as soon as Captain Gray had Complied with and had given them, the Coxswain of the Bashaw a man of no small power in the place gave orders to the people who were under his Command to unbend our Sails, strike the Yards and Topmasts and Moor the Ship which was accordingly performed, for it was to no purpose to dispute any thing they Ordered from the number of Attendants they brought with them, they likewise called up the whole Ships Company and enquir'd what Cmplaints they had against the Captain and whether they were Contended he should continue his Command, who answer'd in the Affirmative, they desir'd him to go ashore with them to the Bashaw which he accordingly Complied with and returnd on board the same evening, On the 11^th^. of June Capt. Gray went Ashoar to get leave for the people that escaped the Massacre and the Pinnace to bring them on board but was denied, only two that was wounded by the Mobb which he brought on board with him, The Same Evening the 18^th^. day of June the Zeriph of Mecha having arrived

at Gidda, Captain Gray was sent for on shore the same day he got an order for the Janasaries to be taken off our Ships from whom we received a great many Insults, but did not come aboard himself for above Five months, June the 28th. by the Captains orders the Cheif mate sent the Longboat ashore for water with about fifteen Lascars in her, they took posession of her and kept the People on shore, the same day he received an order from Captain Gray to send all our sails on shore with all the Musselmen which was accordingly perform'd, February the 29. 1728, Arrived here one Dominico Kendall a Druggerman from Abraham Stanian the British Ambassador at Constantinople, March 13 came on board our Sails, On the 15 Dº. Captain Gray came on board to give necessary orders concerning the Ship but not without a Guard, and return'd again the same Evening, On the 21st. March Capt. Gray came on board (having first been on board the Prince George) and called for the Cheif mate and me, he told us they designed to detain the Ships till the Hodge was come that they might be sure no reprisals would be made by the English upon the Surat Ships that traded to Gidda, he asked our opinions of it, which we gave him, and all AGREED to endeavour to carry the ships out which was accordingly perform'd on the 22d. 23, 24 & 25 days of March 1727/8.

This is the fullest & truest relation of this Inhuman Affair that I am at this time Capable of giving which I most willingly both Swear and Subscribe to

SAMUEL SUTCLIFFE

Jurat Coram Nobis
22º *die Julii* 1728º.

JAMES MACRAE.
ROBERT SYMONDS.
JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SAMUEL HYDE.

TO THE HONBLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERN. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &C. COUNCILL.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF SHAKE MAHOMUD AMEEN &C. MERCHANTS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

SHEWETH

That your Petitioners did freight on Ship James belonging to Mr. George Torriano a Quantity of Rupees, Coral, Rubys of different sorts false Pearl Chank and other goods as ℔ the bill of Loading will more particularly appear, which Ship James on the 24 April 1728, struck on the sand bank of Budabalue, about two hours after the Ship struck the Captain by name Charles Bissell and the Cheif Mate with the Syrang & Tendall Consulted together & went under the Decks and brought up some of our Chests with a design to take out the money, from which Action your Petitioners servants endeavouring to stop them they wounded one of our people and took all the treasure Coral, Pearl &c. and put them in their own Chests, at which your Petitioners servants being very discontented, and still persisting to hinder such practises, the Captain bid them not fear any thing, for that he would return their Goods and money when he came ashoar, So that the Captain went into his Pinnace with one servant and four Lascars and carried with them a Chest two Jars & a Compass and was Setting Sail for Calcutta, when Your Petitioners servants desired to go with him, to whom he answered he would send some sloops down as soon as possible and three days after they made three Rafts of Timber one of which was in bad case and very weak on which the Cheif mate ordered our servants who refused and desired to go with them, upon which they put our servants on that Raft by force, and in their sight the Cheif mate Syrang & some Lascars took the treasure and other goods and put them in the pinnace and put some Lascars in another small boat according to the Captains Direction, and went away with them to Hajely in a small time, they being well provided with Oars &cª. but your Petitioners did not arrive off of Sunderbous Wood till

four in the Evening where they Rowed backward and forward for Six days with which labour and want of Provisions three of the people died when it was their good Fortune to find a Vessel that was Wooding where they got some provisions and went on her to Calcutta where hearing the Captain was arrived, Your Petitioners servants went and demanded their goods & money and received answer from the Captain that the pinnace was oversett and that all was lost but after a long debate he brought out the Rubys which your Petitioners had packet in a Chest of treasure and said that was all that was sav'd of ours, when your Petitioners servants demanded to know where was the money that these stones where packet with, when after a great deal of trouble the said Captain also produced the Chest of false Pearl and bid your Petitioners take that and give him the bill of Loading and a discharge which he demanded with force and threatning, Therefore Your Petitioners servants not being to argue with the Captain they sent one of them here, And as Your Petitioner has left the Moguls which is their native Country, We have now no other Remedy nor other Justice to apply to but your Honour &c. and as we have lived well under this Government for 30 Years, and have never had reason to complain, but have always found its Justice bright as the Sunbeams, so we hope still for Justice from your Honour, for that we with great Confidence paid the freight of those goods before we put them on board to M^r^. George Torriano who is the owner of the said ship and we doubt not but when your Honour &c^a^. in Justice shall examine this affair We shall Recover our money when we shall go on happily and for ever pray for your Hon^r^. &c^a^. long life great happiness and abundant of Riches.

To the Hoñble James Macrae Esq^r^.

President & Gov^r^. &c. Council of Fort S^t^. George.

The humble Petition of Richard Combes

Sheweth

That your petitioner had the care of fourteen Soldiers brought out on ship Heathcote for this place who are all come safe ashore.

Therefore your Petitioner humbly prays your Hon^r^. &c. will be pleased to order him the usual Allowance given by the Hoñble Company for the Same, and as in Duty bound &c^t^.

Ship Chindadre saild for Quiddah. 20
Sloop Rama return'd to F. S^t^. David. —
dispatch'd by Tappies a general Letter to F. S^t^. David. 24
Ship Aislabie Cap^t^. W^m^. Birch arriv'd from England, whereupon the Council met, open'd the Pacquet & gave orders for the delivery of the Cordage. 26

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esq^r^. Gov^r^. President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randall Fowke Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

Saturday the 27^th^.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash, Ten thousand 10,000 Pagodas for Broadcloth delivered the Company's Merchants.

Money paid in Accot. broadcloth sold.

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Land Cusmrs. ballce. for June pd. in.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash, Seven hundred, and thirty Seven Pagodas, twelve fanams & thirty four Cash Ps. 737. 12. 34 Ballance of his last months account.

a parcel of brimstone purchas'd.

The Storekeeper reports that he wants Brimstone for making Powder, and there being a parcell of about eighteen Candy's of Persia Brimstone offer'd at fourteen Pagodas 14 ℔ Candy AGREED, that it be purchased.

dispatches for the Heathcote & Letters for Viza. Ingo. & Bengal Sign'd.

Dispatch for Captain Joseph Tolson of the Heathcote, General Letter to the President and Council of Fort William, and to the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam, and Resident of Ingerum to go by him, Signed.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

Ship Betzey before the Britannia Capt. Lycot Upton sail'd for Bengal.

28 Ship Heathcot Capt. Joseph Tolson sail'd for Bengal but to call in by the way at Vizagapatam to deliver a Supply of Cash & wares, & Stores; by whom were sent general letters to Bengal, Vizagapatam & Ingeram.

— Rec'd by Peons General Letters from Bengal dated 31st. May & from Vizagapatam dated 3d. July.

29 Rec'd by Tappies a genll. letter frem F. St. David dated 27th.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 1.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOV. PRESIDENT.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQR.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Money advd. Paymaster.

Ordered to advance the Paymaster two thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas to defray charges of Garrison and other Disbursements of the running month.

Genll. Letters read from Bengal.

General Letters read Vizt.

N. 51 from the President & Councill of Fort William dated 31st. May 1728 desiring a Supply of Redwood.

from Vizagapatam.

N. 52 from the Provisional Chief and Councill of Vizagapatam dated 3d. Ultimo, Serving only to accompany the said Letter.

From Fort St. David.

N. 53 from the Provisional Chief and Councill of Fort St. David, advising that Mr. Pitt was set out for this place and inclosing their Cash Account.

a supply of Cash Order'd to F. St. David.

The Ballance of Cash at Fort St. David being small, AGREED that ten thousand pagodas 10000 be sent them overland on Saturday next.

Petition from the Minters touching Coinage of very Course Silver.

The Minters having for some time past refused to coin Zelottas and other course Silver without an allowance for the extraordinary charge of Refining deliver in a Petition as enterd after this Consultation wherein they Set forth the great hardship it is to them to be oblig'd to refine such course Silver at the same rate at which they refine Silver near to the goodness of Standard Silver.

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This Petition being taken into Consideration and it being very apparent that the Minters must be considerable Sufferers by refining such Course Silver which requires to pass the fire three times, whereas Dollars and other Coins near Standard fineness, require to pass it but once, It was AGREED, that for all Silver worse than Seven ounces two penny weight fine Silver in the pound troy the said Minters shall be allowed Seven and three quarters to bring it to Rupee matt instead of Seven and one quarter at w^ch^. they are still obliged to co n all Silver above that fineness provided always that they shall be obliged to take Zelottas at the rate of four ounces twelve penny weight and Camashes at four ounces then pennyweight worse than Standard, And an agreement was drawn up and signed by them, Accordingly copy whereof is enter'd after this Consultation.

Agreement thereupon made w^th^. them,

Executed.

Petition from Cap^t^. Birch of the Aislabie read as enterd hereafter setting forth that he having met with a tedious passage from Europe had a great number of his people Sick and therefore desired he might be permitted to stay here a few days longer for their refreshment which petition was granted, the allegations therein being known to be true.

Cap^t^. Birch petition for leave to stay to refresh his people & is permitted.

There being twenty 20 Chests of rupees ready ORDERED that the Warehousekeeper do lade them on the Aislabie for Bengall, so soon as Captain Birch is able to get away together with what more may be ready at that time And

Some rupees that are ready put on board the Aislabie &

In order to keep our Mint at work that we may not detain any of the latter Ships for their Silver which the Gentlemen of Bengall have desired us to Coin, It was agreed to take out the Aislabies Silver for the purpose and an order was accordingly signed to Cap^t^. Birch to send ashore the Silver he has on board and Consigned to Bengall.

her treasures taken out to Coin.

ORDERED that the Import Warehousekeeper with M^r^. Hyde, the Assaymaster and Captain do open the s^d^. Silver and take an Account of the weight and Sorts.

s^d^. treasure to be examin'd.

The Warehousekeeper presents to the Board the Merchants Account Currant for the month of July, ballance due to them and now ORDERED to be paid, seven thousand one hundered & nineteen pagodas one fanam & thirty five Cash P^s^. 7119. 1. 35.

Merch^ts^. ball^ce^. for July p^d^. them.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash, Six thousand 6000 pagodas on Account of Broad Cloth sold.

Money p^d^. into Cash Accot^. broad-cloth.

Poncala Kistna Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five pagodas P^s^. 335 for a months rent of that farm which will be due the 5^th^. Instant.

Arrack farm rent for July p^d^. in.

The President represented to the board that Messieurs Parkes & Barrington having some time ago bought a Brigantine of a Moorman he after receiving the money saild for S^t^. Thoma from whence they took her in a method not very regular which gave the Moors an opportunity of Seizing her afterwards and occasioned a vast deal of trouble to recover her which however he had done for them, that since that time she being bound, as her owners say to Mozambique touch'd at the French Islands of Mascarine and Maurities where she was Confiscated by the French for Causes which have already been deemd at this board frivolous and unjust but which however will necessarily occasion a great deal of trouble at home, since we must represent the matter to our Honourable Masters, under whose pass she sail'd, in order for their getting Reperation, for which Accounts and to prevent any such like inconveniencies he proposed a Committee might be appointed to Consider of some methods whereby to prevent any the like accidents in future.

a Committee appoin^d^. to examine into several inconvenieneys in trade w^ch^. the President observes to the Board.

He further represented that these same Gentlemen had last Season sent M^r^. Barnes a person who was permitted to go over to Pegue (to recover in his effects, which he pretended lay there upon a promise to return to this place and go to Europe), in a ship of theirs to Surat, by which means the Company lost the Customs of a very Considerable parcel of wax, tin, teeth, Iron &c. which would otherwise have come here, That the Bengallers had lately sent a Resident to Pegue and carried on a great

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trade from thence by which means likewise another great branch of the Customs was last to this place by the Carrying such quantities of Goods to Bengall directly which formerly used to come hether first, that Pegue had always been esteem'd a Subordinate to this Presidency and that therefore he thought the Bengallers had no right to settle a Resident there, on which several Accounts he proposed a Committee might be appointed to Consider how to remedy these things.

Which being AGREED to Messeiurs Pitt, Symonds, Roach and Hyde were accordingly appointed.

JA^{S}. MACRAE.
G. M. PITT.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.

2^{D}. dispatch'd by Tappies a general letter to F. S^{t}. David.

3 M^{r}. Pitt Arriv'd from F. S^{t}. David.

— dispatch'd by Tappies a general letter from F. S^{t}. David.

4 Success Grab arriv'd from Persia.

5 Ship Compton Cap^{t}. John Misenor arriv'd from England having on board John Deane Esq^{r}. President of Bengal.

9 Ship George Cap^{t}. George Pitt arriv'd from England by these two Ships came packets from the Hon^{ble}. Court of Directors.

— Ship Aislabie Cap^{t}. W^{m}. Birch sail'd for Bengal & Carried a gen^{ll}. letter dated the 7th.

10 Ship Walpole arriv'd from Juddah, Cap^{t}. Charles Bodham.

TO THE HOÑBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}. & COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THE BRAMINIES, GOLDSMITHS & GOLDWASHERS BELONGING TO THE HONOURABLE COMPANY'S MINT AT FORT S^{T}. GEORGE

SHEWETH

THAT for some time past there has been Coyn'd in the Honourable Companys Mint great Quantities of Silver monies Imported from Bursura, Mocha &c. of very Course Allay being upwards of four ounces on the pound Weight, worse than Standard Silver.

That the Charge and Waste of Refining such course Silver to the goodness of Rupees Matt is considerably more than Silver which is at or near the goodness of Standard Silver and the minters having no allowance for the extraordinary charge and wast of Refining such course Silver have hitherto become great Sufferers.

We therefore humbly pray that your Honour &c. will be pleased to take it into Consideration and order such further Allowance to be made us for Refining such Course Monies as in your Honours &c. Wisdom shall seem meet.

And your Petitioners as in Duty bound Shall ever Prav.

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We, the Braminies and Goldsmiths belonging to the Mint at Fort S^{t}. George do promise & Agree to the Hoñble James Macrae Esq^{r}. President & Mint Master.

That from this time forward we will Receive and Coyn all such Silver which shall be better than the Degree of four ounces worse than Standard, or seaven ounces two pennyweights fine Silver on the pound troy at the rate of one and a half ℔ Cent Coynage, the owner allowing us seaven and one quarter ℔ Cent to bring it to Rupee matt (or 14$^{d}\frac{1}{2}$ Bett than Standand) which is $\frac{5}{8}$ ℔ Cent advance for Charge of Refining to the goodness of Rupee Matt.

And we do promise and agree to Receive and Coyn all such Silver which shall be worse than the Degree of four ounces worse than Standard at the Rate of one and a half ℔ Cent Coynage, the owners allowing us seaven & three quarters to bring it to Rupee Matt which is one and one eights ℔ C^{t}. advance for the extraordinary charge and waste of Refining such Course Silver to the goodness of Rupee matt.

And we do further promise and Agree that in Consideration of the above half ℔ Cent allowed us more for the Refinage of Silver worse than four ounces worse than Sterling we will receive and Coyn all Zellottos Dollars at the rate of four ounces ten penny weight worse than Stan^{d}. notwithstanding what Assays and reports of their goodness we have already made, or may hereafter make of them, in Witness whereof We have set our hands this 23^{d}. day of July 1728.

Bramines ... { TIMMERSIAH. / RAYAPAH.
Gold Smiths ... { KISNABUT. / SINGAH.
Gold Washers. { NATABALLCHITTEE. / SHELLY.

TO THE HON. JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}. &C^{T}. COUNCILL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HON^{BLE}. SIR & SIRS

Having met with a very bad passage to the Medeiras and arriving there in the time of lent, by which means I was not able to procure any fresh provisions for my people & having likewise since leaving that Island met with Contrary winds & Calms by which means my Voyage has been very long, I have had the misfortune to have many of my people insomuch that on my arrival here I was obliged to send thirty six ashore to the Hospitall.

I am therefore to desire your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. will permit me to stay some few days longer for their Recovery it not being in my opinion safe to venture the Hoñble Company's Ship at this time of the Year to the bay while so many of my people are down, besides that if I go away directly which I am ready to do if your Honour &c^{t}. require it, I shall arrive in Ballasore road in the highth of the Springs when I Cannot venture over the Braces, I am

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
AUGST. 1ST. 1728.

HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Ser^{t}.

WILLIAM BIRCH.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1728*——

Dr. SUNCAH RAMA & TOMBY CHITTEE. **Cr.**

To Cash advanced them .. .. Ps. 30000 — —
To dº. paid Moortee and Washers, and Custom due to the Company 879 22 65

Pagodas .. 30879 22 65

July 31. By Goods rec'd of them this month Vizt.

LONGCLOTH ORDr. wte. 72 Lo. 2¼ brd.

	ba.	cor.	ps.					
Nº: 1	16	qt. 24	—	at 31	18	℔ Corge	..	756 — —
2	45	67	10	30	9	Dº.	..	2041 31 40
3	37	55	10	29	—	Dº.	..	1609 18 —
	98	147	—					4407 13 40

LONGCLOTH MIDLING. wte. 72 Lo: 2¼ brd.

	ba.	cor.					
Nº. 1	2	qt. 3	—	at 38	—	℔ Corge.	..	114 — —
2	4	6	—	36	—	Dº.	..	216 — —
3	5	7	10	34	—	Dº.	..	255 — —
	11	16	10					585 — —

LONGCLOTH FINE wte.. 72 Lo: 2¼ brd.

	ba.	cor.					
Nº. 2	2	qt. 4	—	at 55	—	℔ Corge	..	220 — —
3	5	10	—	50	—	Dº.	..	500 — —
	7	qt. 14	—					720 — —

SALAMPORES ORDRY. wte. 32 Lo: 2¼ brd.

	ba.	cor.					
Nº. 2	4	qt. 16	—	at 13	18	℔ Corge	..	216 — —
3	4	16	—	12	18	Dº.	..	200 — —
	8	32	—					416 — —

SALAMPORES MIDLING wte. 32 Lo: 2¼ brd.

	ba,	cor.					
Nº. 1	1	qt. 4	—	at 17	18	℔ Cor	..	70 — —
2	5	20	—	16	10	Dº.	..	325 20 —
3	3	12	—	15	2		..	180 24 —
	9	36	—					576 8 —

SALAMPORES FINE wte. 32 Lo. 2¼ brd.

	ba.	cor.					
Nº. 1	1	qt. 5	—	at 29	—	℔ Corge	..	145 — —
2	6	30	—	27	—		..	810 — —
3	1	5	—	25	—		..	125 — —
	8	qt. 40	—					1080 — —

By Custom for 2¾ ℔ Ct. deducted on the above accot. being 7784 21 40 .. .. 214 2 60

Pags. .. 7998 24 20

By ballance 22880 34 15

Pagodas .. 30879 22 65

Errors excepted.

℔ ROBr. SYMONDS
Expt. Warehº.keeper.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1728*——

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESIDENT.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQ^{R}.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

SATURDAY 10TH.

General Letter from the Honble Court of Directors received p^{r} Ship Compton read. — Company's Letter by the Compton read.

AGREED that the two thousand five hundred pagodas 2500 which the Honble Court of Directors order M^{r}. Pitt be paid him but was the unanimous opinion of the board to keep the two thousand 2000 Ordered for M^{r}. Turner till further Directions from the Company he having been Dismissed their Service by the Secret Committee for Reasons which they have wrote the Court and which if they had been known in England at the time of writing the Letter would probably have prevented the order. — Gratuity order'd by the Company to Mr. Pitt pd. him, but that to Mr. Turner withheld.

ORDERED that the Paragraphs of the General Letter about Gaming be copied out & hung up at the Sea gate, also that Copies of the paragraph about the bill in Chancery be shewn the persons concern'd. — Orders about gaming made publick, & those about the Chancery bill shewn the persons concern'd.

AGREED that the bonds enter'd into by several persons in the Year 1726 about their Silver which was omitted to be manifested from England and is now advised of be Delivered up. — Some bonds for Silver not manifested deliver'd up.

Poncala Kistna & Com Chitty Tobacco and Beetle farmers pay into Cash, eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams P^{s}. 833. 12. — for a months rent of that farm due the 5th. Ultimo. — Betle farm rent for July pd. in.

The President reads the Account of the Honourable Company's Cash, for last month Ballance remaining two hundred sixty three thousand five hundred fifty two pagodas, twenty fanams, & seventy seven Cash 263552. 20. 77 which is Carried to next months Account. — Cash Accot. for July read.

M^{r}. Charles Peers requesting leave to go to Pullicat for a few days on Some business he has there it is agreed to. — Mr. Peers permitted to go to Pullicat.

JA^{s}. MACRAE.
G. M. PITT.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG : BURTON.

rec'd by Tappies general letter from F. S^{t}. David dated 9th. 11
Ship Bourchier Frigate Thomas Feame Master sail'd for Malacca. —

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At a Consultation

Present

Monday 12th. James Macrae Esqr. Govr. President.
George Morton Pitt Esqr.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randall Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton.

Compys. Letter by Ship George read. General Letter from the Honble Court of Directors received by the George, read being a Duplicate of that by Ship Heathcote.

her treasure to be examin'd. Ordered that the Warehousekeeper with Mr. Burton and the Assaymaster do examine the treasure by this Ship in presence of the Capt. and that it be deliver'd into the Mint to be coind into rupees.

a letter from F. St. David. General Letter N°. 54 dated 9th. instant from the Provisional Chief & Councill of Fort St. David read, advising the receipt of the money sent them.

Land Custme. Accot. for July read. Samuel Hyde Land Customer reads that Account for last month Vizt.

Choultry Customs	Ps. 457	23	17
Ruby Brokeridge	144	10	19
Registring Slaves	6	—	—
Pags.	607	33	36

ballance due from him five hundred ninety six Pagodas eleven fanams, & thirty six Cash 596 : 11 : 36 which is Carried to next months Account.

Accot. Sales of druggets &ct. for two years past & the remains dd. in. The Import Warehousekeeper delivers to the Board an Account of the remains of Velvets, Druggets and Camblets in the Warehouse together with an Account of the Sales thereof, for two Years past, whereby it appears that there are yet remaining more than Sufficient for two Years, which account is enterd after this Consultation.

Ordered that the said goods be sold at Outcry on Fryday next.

500 Pags. accot. Ship Lincoln pd. in. Mr. Francis Rous pays into Cash five hundred pagodas in further part of the produce of Ship Lincoln and Cargo.

money pd. in Accot. broad cloth. Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash two thousand seven hundred 2700 pagodas on Account Broad Cloth Sold.

Survey order'd of the Stowage of Madeira. Ordered that the Gunner with John Watson one of his Mates do go on board the George and Survey the Stowage of the Madera wine consigned us for Account the Honble Company.

Silver Order'd to be bot. up for Bengal as far as Ps. 100,000. The President representing to the Board that the Gentlemen in Bengal had wrote us they wanted Three hundred twenty five Chests of Treasure to pay off their debts, carry on their present Investment, and to begin their next without taking up money at Interest, proposed to them since we have a pretty large Cash still remaining to purchase Silver and send down to them on our Honourable Masters Account.

Upon which motion It was agreed that the President be desired to buy a Quantity of Bullion or Rupees for Account the Honourable Company not exceeding one hundred thousd. Pagodas worth in the whole.

Jas. Macrae.
G. M. Pitt.
Robt. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Stt. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.

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FORT ST. GEORGE AUGT. 8TH. 1728.

AN ACCOT. SALE OF DRUGGETTS, CAMBLETS, & VELVETS IN THE YEARS 1726 & 1727 VIZT.

1726 Camblets	414			
1727 d°.	211			
	625	remns.		3165
1726 Druggets ..	178½			
1727 D°. ..	115			
	293½	d°.		1800
1726 Velvets	438½			
1727 D°.	266¼			
	699¾	d°.		1326

Blackcloth fine 8 bales } Fine in all 3184 yds.
Colour'd cloths }

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

The above is an Accot. of Camblets, Druggets & Velvets & fine Colour'd Cloths remaining in the Godown the primo May 1728 likewise an Accot. of the Sale of each Sortment for the two last years past, whereby it appears that there remains more than can be dispos'd of in two years, wch. Commodities especially the Velvets being lyable to decay I humbly move that some measures may be taken that the Honble. Company may not suffer by those goods lying longer on hand.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.
Yr. most obedient Servant
[*Lacuna*].

dispatch'd by Peons a genll. Letter to Vizagapatam & F. St. David. 13
brigte. George John Pye Master sail'd for F. St. David to take in a freight of bales. 16
Success Grab sail'd for Bengal. 17
Letters from Ingeram arriv'd by Peons. —
Ship Hydaree sail'd for Bengal. 19
rec'd by Peons General Letters from Bombay & Tellicherry. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT. TUESDAY 20th.
JOHN DEANE ESQR.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQR.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Petition from Serjeant John Grainger requesting to be discharged from the Military upon paying the usual sum, Read and Granted. Serjt. Grainger discharg'd.

The President reads the Mint Account Current for last month ballance due from him one hundred thirty one thousand six hundred twenty three rupees eleven anaes 131623. 11. — which are Carried to next months Accot. & eighty three Pagodas eleven fanams, and twenty five Cash 83. 11. 25 which are now paid in. Mint Accot. for July read.

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Export [&]

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month ballance due from him two hundred forty six Pagodas thirty four fanams and sixty one Cash 246. 34 61 which is Carried to next months Account.

Import Warehouse Accot. for July read.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month ballance due from him eighty eight Pagodas nineteen fanams and seventy Cash 88. 19. 70 which is carried to next months Account.

Silver & rupees purchas'd for Bengal.

The President reports that he has purchased in Consequence of the resolve of the Board last Consultation day ,Forty thousand Madrass Rupees 40000 at three hundred & eight 308 Rupees ℔ hundred Pagodas 100, amounting to twelve thousand nine hundred eighty seven pagodas, and thirty five Cash Ps. 12987 . — . 35 and thirty five thousand seven hundred sixty five Ounces, fifteen penny weight and six Grains 35765. 15. 6 standard silver at fourteen and a half Dollars 14½ ℔ ten Pagodas 10, amounting to Twenty eight thousand and two pagodas and eight fanams 28002. 8. —.

Ordered that those sums be advanced the Warehousekeeper to pay for the same.

Survey of the Stowage of Madeira abd. the George, reported.

The Gunner and his Mate James Watson deliverd in a report of the Survey of the Madeira wine on board the George, which they find in very good Condition as by the said report Copied after this Consultation.

Genll. Letters from Ingeram &

General Letter N. 55 from Mr. John Sanderson at Ingerum dated 26th. July read complaining of the troubles in the Country and Scarcity of Copper Dubbs and Cotton, by which means, he has as yet been able to procure little more than sixteen bales of Cloth.

Bombay & Tellicherry with a d mand on Mr. Adams.

General Letter N°. 56 and 57 from the President and Councill of Bombay, and from the Chief and Councill of Tellicherry together with Copy of a Paragraph of a Letter from the Honourable Company to Bombay, an Accot. Current of Debts due from the Country People about Tellicherry which the President & Council of Bombay charge Mr. Adams with as being loans made by him without leave from Bombay as also a bond to be signed by the said Mr. Adams. The Purport of the Letters is to desire we will recover of Mr. Adams the ballance of the Account Currant amounting to two hundred thirty one thousand, two hundred ninety four Callicut fanams and ten Viss, or else get him to sign the bond, or in case of his non Compliance with either to detain him here till orders from our Honourable Masters, or send him to Bombay.

Proceedings thereon.

Mr. Adams being sent for the said Letters, Bond and Account Current were read to him, when he deliver'd to the Board two books, the one entituled a relation of the management of the Honble United English East India Company's Affairs in their Factories of Callicutt and Tellicherry, the other Tellicherry Diarys and Counsultations commencing March 19th. and ends April 2d. 1728, which were in part read, but it being late the reading of the Remainder of them was put off till next Consultation.

Jas. Macrae.
G. M. Pitt.
Robt. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
Sll. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.
Charles Peers.

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To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President & Govr. of F. St. George &ct. Council.

Honble. Sr. & Srs.

In pursuance of an order of Council of the [*lacuna*] instant we have been order'd on board the George, & have taken a Strict survey of the Stowage of her wine & find it well bedded & quoin'd, bulge free & in good order.

We are
Honble. Sr. & Srs.
Yr. most humble & most obedient
Servants

David Murray.
John Watson.

Fort St. George
Augst. 19th. 1728.

Ship Nancy Capt. John West arriv'd from Mocha. 22

rec'd by Peons a Genll. Letter from F. St. David. —

Ship Charles Capt. John Kellsall arriv'd from Bussorah & brot. a genll. Letter from the Resident there dated 10th. June. 23

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esqr. Govr. President. Friday 23th.
John Deane Esqr.
George Morton Pitt Esqr.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randall Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

John Roach Paymaster reads that Account for last month Vizt. Paymasters Accot. for July read.

Charges Garrison	Ps. 1325	9	20
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospitall	43	34	—
Charges Extraordinary	25	9	—
Charges Generall	394	16	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Sorting Godown Screws	23	26	20
New Powder house	131	35	15
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Repairs of Fortifications	92	24	70
Pags.	2712	10	45

ballance due to him two hundred and twelve Pagodas ten fanams & forty five Cash 212. 10. 45 which is now paid him.

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Extra expence reported.

The extraordinary expences in this months Account arise from the following particulars Viz^{t}.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY—						
Christning a Soldiers Child	1	—	—			
P^{d}. 14 Soldiers arriv'd by Heathcote 12 fanams each	4	24	—			
p^{d}. the Surgeon of the Heathcote head mony for 14 soldiers	15	20	—			
P^{d}. for Rosewater, Almonds, Dates, nuts, Kissmisses & Sugar Candy sent to the Gov^{r}. of S^{t}. Thoma	3	7	—			
P^{d}. for 6 Boats to fetch the Heathcote's Soldiers ashoar	—	30	—			
				25	9	—
SORTING GODOWNS SCREWS—						
Workmen &c^{a}. emyloyed in making 'em. Iron, Steel, Sea Coal &c. as ℔ Storekeepers note	18	19	60			
	5	6	40			
				23	26	20
NEW POWDER HOUSE—						
Workmen employed in the Build^{gs}. ..	11	—	20			
Materialls	120	34	75			
				131	35	15
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY—						
Allowance money to the Widow Burton & her Children	..			25	—	—
			Pagodas	205	34	35

Storekeepers Accot. for July read.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper reads that Account for last month, ballance due from him one thousand Pagodas thirty one fanams & twenty one Cash 1000. 31. 21 of which he now pay's Eight hundred 800 pagodas.

600 Candy of Lead Sold.

The Warehousekeeper reports to the Board that he hath been offerd Sixteen Pag^{s}. ℔ Candy for Six hundred Candy's of the Company's Lead and desires to know whether he may dispose thereof at that price.

AGREED that the offer be accepted in Consideration of the great Quantity there is on hand, which is no less than [*lacuna*].

Iron taken out of Ship George.

Not having received any Iron this Year from Europe and ours being almost expended, The President proposed to take out what Captain Pitt of the George has on board his Ship consigned to Bengall which was AGREED to, M^{r}. Deane telling us that what the other Ships have will be Sufficient for the expence of Bengall till next Season and an order was accordingly Signed to the Captain to deliver it.

redwood put on board Ship George.

ORDERED that the Warehousekeeper do send [*lacuna*] of Redwood on board the George.

Letters from F. St. David read

General Letter N^{o}. 56 from the Prov^{l}. Cheif & Councill of Fort S^{t}. David dated 20th. Ins^{t}. read inclosing their Cash Account and an indent for Stationary ware.

&

one from the President of Bussorah wth. a demand of M^{r}. Petty's estate.

Also one from M^{r}. Martin French N^{o}. 57 dated Bussero 10th. June 1728 inclosing M^{r}. Pettys Account Current with the Company, and desiring us to receive the Ballance.

ORDERED that the Secretary do demand the Same, and that the Account Current be entered in the Letter book after the Letter.

A moths. rent of the betle farm p^{d}. in.

Poncala Kistna & Com Chitty Tobacco and Beetle farmers pay into Cash eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams 833. 12 for last months rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

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The President reports that he has bought Eleven thousand two hundred twenty five ounces nine pennyweight and Six grains of Standard Silver, 11225. 9. 6 at fourteen and a half dollars 14½ for ten pagodas 10, amounting in the whole to eight thousand seven hundred eighty eight pagodas twenty eight fanams and forty cash P^{s}. 8788. 28. 40. Silver purchas'd.

ORDERED that money be advanc'd the Warehousekeeper to pay for the same.

The board then proceeded on M^{r}. Adams's Affair and having finisht reading the papers which he delivered in, they were ordered to be copied to be sent home in our Consultation * books and Proceeding. on M^{r}. Adams Affair.

Recourse being had to the Companys Standing orders, It was found that we are Directed by paragraph 70 of their Letter dated 16th. Febry 1721 to detain any Cheif or Factor who shall leave any of the Settlement under the other Presidency's without a discharge from his Superiors. do.

ORDERED therefore that the Secretary do attend M^{r}. Adams with Copy of the said order and enquire of him whether he have such discharge or not. do.

JA^{s}. MACRAE.
G. M. PITT.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

Ship Fiza-Elahi, sail'd for Ternasseri. 24

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESIDENT. MONDAY 26TH.
JOHN DEANE ESQ^{R}.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQ^{R}.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

The Secretary reports that he has received of M^{r}. Richard Acton fifty three pag^{s}. twenty eight fanams 53. 28. being the Ballance of what due from him on bond to M^{r}. Sarson. M^{r}. Acton clears his debt to the Comp^{y}.

The Warehousekeeper produces to the board agreable to a resolution last sorting day two Musters of Worriopollam Cloth, which being view'd were approved and order'd to be chopped for N^{o}. 1 Worriopollam, one peice of which to be sent down by the tappies to Fort S^{t}. David the other to remain here. Musters of Worrier-pollam cloth for F. S^{t}. David approv'd.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that Account for last month Viz^{t}. Sea Customers Acco^{t}. for July read.

Custom on Goods Imported	P^{s}. 752	18	24
Anchorage	66	—	—
	Pag^{s}. 818	18	24

ballance due from him Six thousand one hundred Sixty three Pagodas, thirty three fanams and Sixty six Cash 6163. 33. 66 of which he pay's one thousand 1000 pagodas

* *Vide* pages 164—197 *infra*.

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a Chest of Silver d'd. Mr. Barrington upon his bond.

Petition from Mr. Charles Barrington, requesting leave to land a Chest of Silver from the George which is not manifested by the Company read and granted upon giving bond to be answerable for the Amount he producing an order under Mr. Shore's hand in the same order with the twenty five Chests belonging to the Company and the Customhouse Cocket for the same.

Proceedings on Mr. Adams' Affair.

Mr. Adams attending the Board gave in writing an answer to the paragraph deliver'd him by the Secretary by order of last Consultation, which being read together with Copy of a paragraph of a Letter from the President and Council of Bombay to Mr. Adams & Councill relating to the Samorines Debt, he withdrew.

Upon Debate thereupon It was at last AGREED that the Secretary do wait upon Mr. Adams to know his final resolution and whether he will sign the bond sent us from Bombay or not.

JAS. MACRAE.
G. M. PITT.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG : BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HOÑBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CT. COUNCILL.

HOÑBLE SR. & SRS.

Having a Small Chest of Silver marked C B N. 1 sent me from England by the George and understanding from the Secretary that it is not mentioned in the Hoñble Companys General Letter, I beg your Honour &ca. Permission to land it, it being duely Licensed by the Company as will appear by the Custom house Cocket, in which it is enter'd with the Companys treasure and also the order from the Honble Company's Officer to take it on board with the treasure, I am

FORT ST. GEORGE
AUGST. 26 1728.

HONÑBLE SR & SRS.
Your most Obedt. hum : Servt.
CHARLES BARRINGTON.

27 Ship Deane Frigate Capt. James Nevill arriv'd from Bussora.
— dispatch'd by Peons General letters to Vizagapatam, and Ingeram, & F. St. David.
28 Rec'd by Peons General letters from Bengal, Vizagapatam & Ingeram.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 29TH

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNR. PRESDT.
JOHN DEANE ESQR.
GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQ.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

Master & Mate of the Amity Brigte, deliver in their.

Petition from Messrs. Barrington and Parkes owners of the Amity Brigantine Directed to the Justices of the peace read & granted praying that the Masters & Mate of that Vessell may be Sworn to their Depositions, relating to the Seizure of her and that those depositions may be enter'd after Consultation. Accordingly

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Capt. John Widdrington and Mr. John Collins were Sworn to their Depositions and declared them to contain the truth the whole truth and nothing but the truth to the best of their knowledge. despositions upon Oath.

The Paymaster presents an Account of Charges for the Soldiers belonging to Fort William which have this Year been brought ashore sick, which is Ordered to be enterd and the amount thereof charged to Bengall Presidency. Charges Maintaining the Bengal Soldiers reported.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do put the Companys treasure on board the Compton & George half on one Ship and half on the other. Treasure Order'd on bd. the Compton & George.

The Warehousekeeper reports that he has purchased two other parcells of Silver at fourteen and a half Dollars ℔ ten pagodas amounts. in the whole to seven thousand five hundred and two Pagodas thirty two fanams and seventeen Cash 7502. 32. 17 Ordered that money be advan'd him to pay for the same. Silver purchas'd.

General Letters read Vizt. General letters read

N. 58 dated 2d. July 1728 from the President & Councill of Bengall desiring us to finish the Affair of the Lincoln. from Bengall

N. 59 dated 5th. Instant from the Provisional Cheif & Councill Vizagapatam advising the Arrival of the Heathcote with them. from Vizagapatam.

N. 60 dated 10th. Instant from Mr. Sanderson at Ingerum advising he expects one hundred Bales of Cloth by Christmas and inclosing his months Account for July. from Ingeram.

Petition from Mr. Gideon Crawford for head money for twelve Soldiers read and granted. head money pd. Sur: of the George.

The Secretary reports that he waited on Mr. Adams agreable to order of last Consultation to demand of him a possitive answer wether he would Sign the bond that had been tender'd him or not and had receiv'd Answer from Mr. Adams that he could not sign the bond and that he had given his Reasons why in a paper delivered to the board the last Consultation day. Proceedings on Mr. Adams affair

Upon debating this Answer, The board having first observed that the Account sent us from Bombay is signed by the President & Councill there in due form and the Sums charged to Mr. Adams therein Declared by that body to have been lent by Mr. Adams without liberty for so doing first obtain'd from them, that the Copy of the Company's order relating thereto is likewise duly Certified, that therefore there can be no dispute made of the truth of all this, but that on the other side Mr. Adams has produced no proofs of any orders for making the above Loans nor indeed any thing but Copies of papers uncertified and unsigned in his own Justification and having left the Government of Tellicherry in an under manner, The board on those Accounts came to a final Determination and resolved to Comply with the Request of the President & Councill of Bombay and that if Mr. Adams was determined neither to pay the money or Sign the bond they would Return him to Bombay there to make up his Accounts. do.

Ordered therefore that Mr. Symonds with the Secretary do go & tell Mr. Adams this our Resolution and demand his final Answer, which they Accordingly did, and being return'd reported. do.

That they had been with Mr. Adams and told him that this board having received a Letter from the President and Councill of Bombay wherein they charge Mr. Adams with a Debt of upwards of Six thousand four hundred pounds to the Company and desire that the said money may be recoverd of him, or else that he do sign a bond (the tenour of which was at the Same time showed to him) or else that he be returnd to Bombay there to finish those Accounts, they were Come to a final determination to execute the request of the President and Counll. of Bombay to which they found do.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1728——

themselves obliged by the Standing orders of the Company their Masters and that it was in Mr. Adams's Choice which of the three he would Chuse. That the Answer they receiv'd from him was that he would sign the bond.

do. ORDER'D therefore that the Secretary do get triplicate bonds ready for him to Sign as soon as possible.

do. During all these severall Debates upon Mr. Adams's Affair, John Deane Esqr. President of Bengall being here was desired to sett at the Board and Accordingly did so and now declared his full Concurrence in what has been done in this matter.

JAs. MACRAE.
G. M. PITT.
ROBt. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HOÑBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR. &C.

HIS MAJESTY'S JUSTICES OF THIS TOWN OF MADRASPATAM.

HOÑBLE SR & SRS.

Finding ourselves under a necessity of making application to Europe for recovering the damages we have Sustained by the Seizure of our Brigantine Amity and Cargoe by the French East India Company at the isles of France and Bourbon we make bold to deliver you herewith two Affidavits made by the Gunner and Carpenter of said Vessell before Mr. Randall Fowke one of the Justices of this place and humbly entreat you to take Affidavits of Captain John Widdrington and Mr. John Collins in relation thereto.

We are
HOÑBLE SR. & SRS.
Your most Obedt. hum: Servt.
CHARLES BARRINGTON.
SAMUEL PARKES.

FORT STr. GEORGE
AUG. 26TH. 1728.

TOWNS OF MADRASSAPATNAM. Ss.. A TRUE RELATION of the Seizure of the Briggantine Amity by the French East India Company at the Isles of France & Bourbon in her way to the Coast of Affrica to the entire ruin of her said Voyage, & Apparent loss of those persons concern'd therein, given in upon Oath & Sworn to by John Widdrington Commander & Supra Cargo of the said Vessel before the Govr. & Council & Justices for the time being of this said town of MADRASSPATNAM.

I JOHN WIDDRINGTON of the East Indies Mariner aged about twenty nine years do make Oath that being employ'd by Messrs. Charles Barrington & Samuel Parkes to sail & navigate the brigte. Amity to Mozambique & the Coast of Africa, did sail from this Port of Madrass on or about the 15th. day of October. 1727 having a pass for that purpose from the Honble. James Macrae Esqr. President & Govr. of F. St. George &ct. but wanting water thought proper to touch at the Isle of France then possess'd by the French East India Company where I expected to meet wth. kind Usuage knowing our Nations to be in Amity & Alliance wth. each other; & about the 2d. day of December following I accordingly Anchor'd off Fort Louis in N. W. & saluted wth. five Guns. There was then in the Harbour a French Company's Ship wch. had anchor'd there about an hour before us, on board of wch. I sent my Mate Manoel Liebaut to enquire the right Channel into the Harbour, telling him to desire the French Capt. to hoist a whiff in his Ancient if I was in the right way & might stand directly for his Ship, wch. he accordingly did and return'd my boat soon after,

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Some time after my Anchoring they fir'd from the Shore a Shot w^ch^. pass'd near the Briggantine & soon after came on board the french Ships boat w^th^. the Second Cap^t^. who acquainted me the meaning of it was for me to come on shore & that Cap^t^. Marcay had sent him to desire I would accompany him in his boat, I return'd him thanks & desir'd he would tell Cap^t^. Marcay that I was not ready but would soon follow him in my own, & presently after I went on ashore, where I address'd myself to to Mons^r^. S^t^. Martin the French Company's Chief & at his request produc'd my pass in the presence of Mon^r^. Bruce the Kings Lieutenant, the Guardian of the Magazine & the said Cap^t^. Peter Marcay, who all seem'd satisfied therewith, Mon^r^. S^t^. Martin enquir'd of me how long I did design to stay, & what necessaries I had occasion for; I told him I needed little more than a supply of Water, w^ch^. I hop'd with his permission I should compleat in two or three days, & then I would proceed on my Voyage to Mozambique, he then told me, I should have water or any refreshment the Island afforded, but that I must not exceed that time in staying, nor dispose of any Merchandise to the Inhabitants, I promis'd him I would not, & then took leave in order to return to my Vessel. In the Evening at the request of Cap^t^. Peter Marcay I went on board his Ship to supper, he told me he wanted to buy a few India Goods to carry with him to France, & that he would come on board in order there to my briggantine. I said he should be welcome at any time & that if he would dine with me to morrow I should be oblig'd to him for his Company & that night return'd on board the briggantine, early the next morning I sent the Long boat for Water into which they put two Soldiers from the Shore as a guard against her Carrying off Merchandize & the next day I stay[ed] on board setting up rigging & hastning the Long boat, & in the morning the aforesaid Cap^t^. Peter Marcay came on board the Briggantine & said he wanted some stockings, handkerchiefs & Nelaes for his own use. I told him I had some such things on board, but that they were not soon to be come at; therefore he must excuse me that I could not let him see them; besides that I was expressly forbid by the Gov^r^. to sell any thing to the people of the place, he told me by my Mate who was Interpreter, that what he wanted could not be term'd Merchandize being only necessaries for his own use & therefore I need not be affraid of any inconveniencies arising from it. Upon w^ch^. Assurance I shew'd him some Chints, Ginghams, fine Longcloth & Soosies w^ch^. he also enquir'd for, but not agreing about the prices of them, he would only have one piece of Soosy, w^ch^. I press'd upon him several times for a present, together w^th^. a jar of Mangoes & a Catty of Tea, w^ch^. latter he accepted, but would pay me six dollars for the piece of Soosies, I spar'd likewise among his Officers, two hats, a piece of Muslin, a piece of Muslin handkerchiefs, & three pair of black silk Stockings, w^ch^. was all I parted w^th^. out of the Vessel & amounted to no more than thirty one dollars, w^ch^. was barely Sufficient to pay for such necessaries as I had Occasion for, This was all I parted w^th^. while I stay'd there, nor did I know or Consent to any more, besides three pair of Cotton Stockings the Cap^t^. bought of my Mate, & whereas It has been alledg'd againust us by the French Company as their reason for seizing the Vessel & Cargo, that M^r^. Manoel Liebaut my Chief Mate did Carry some pieces of Cloth on board the French Ship, I do declare that if so, it was without my privity or Consent; about ten of the Clock at night on or about the 5^th^. of Decemher O.S. 1727 when I was asleep came a large boat from the Shore having on board Mon^r^. Bruce the Kings Lieutenant & the Second Captain of the French & said they wanted to speak w^th^. me in the Cabin. We accordingly went down, they then told me they were sent by Mons^r^. Martin the Chief to place a guard on board for that night, for that he had rec'd information that our Longboat was at the Watering place & he did not know what she might be doing there so late without it was running of Goods, besides that the French Ships people had been trading on board all day, so that I must not take it amiss that they came to prevent any further dealings, they then went away leaving several Soldiers who kept upon the Deck the remainder of the night, betimes the next morning the Longboat was on board w^th^. Water w^ch^. made an end of filling our Casks & Tanks & about Seven in the morning I went ashore w^th^. M^r^. Manoel Liebaut & ask'd Mon^r^. Martin what was his reason for placing a Guard on board the Brigantine, he said that Cap^t^. Marcay had inform'd his people had been

trading wth. me all day, & that our Longboat was late at the Watering place & might probably be running goods, so that he was oblig'd in the Manner he had done to take notice of it & desir'd I would depart from the Port the same day for I had been supplied wth. Water w^{ch}. was all I had acquainted him that I came for, & at the same time he said I must pay the Soldiers on board fifteen dollars for their troubles, I told him I did not send for them, neither had I any money to pay them, & as for the Longboats staying ashore I believ'd he must know before that time, was occasion'd by a Squall of Wind, & w^{t}. Cap^{t}. Marcay might tell him concerning his Officers I believ'd was more than true, for I had only spar'd among them a few necessaries for their own use & the Cap^{t}. himself one piece of Soocies. With this Acco^{t}. he was well satisfied & ask'd my Company to breakfast & told me when I [was] off he would send an Order wth. me for the Soldiers to come ashore. Soon after I took my leave of him in order to proceed on my Voyage & upon my coming on board I sent the Soldiers in my Longboat on board the French Ship & immediately after the return of my boat, got under sail, but had not got out of the harbour when the French Ship fir'd a Shot w^{ch}. my People told me came between the brigantines Masts of w^{ch}. I not knowing the meaning having just before parted in friend ship wth. the Gov^{r}. & in the presence of the said Cap^{t}. Marcay ; by the advice of my Mate I sent my boat on board wth. Nichols my Carpenters whom I order'd not to tarry on any Acco^{t}. longer than he had enquir'd what they wanted, but my boat did not return till about Seven a Clock in the Evening tho' I made a Signal for her most part of the time Cap^{t}. Marcay as they told me forcing them to stay while he was ready to go along wth. us.

At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday Sept^{r}. 3^{d}.

James Macrae Esq^{r}. Governour President.
George Morton Pitt Esq^{r}.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

Proceedings on M^{r}. Adams Affair.

The Secretary produces to the board the bonds Signed by M^{r}. Adams to Stand to the award of the Court of Directors with respect to the Loans made by him to the Princes near Tellich^{ry}. but reports at the Same time that M^{r}. Adams declared to the three Europe Captains that the reason of his Signing them was a message brought him the day before by M^{r}. Symonds and the Secretary to acquaint him that if he would not Sign the bond he Should be Sent to Bombay and that he desired the Europe Captains wou'd take notice he had told them this.

Hereupon the President remarked to the Board that during this whole Affair M^{r}. Adams had behaved himself with the highest Contempt of the Company's authority of which none of them could be ignorant though he had been treated with the greatest civility and respect one particular of which behaviour he could not pass over viz^{t}. that M^{r}. Adams had in discourse with him Said and confirmed it with many oaths That had M^{r}. Braddyll mention'd Sending him to Bombay he would have return'd him thither and M^{r}. Phipps afterwards had he come down. Another particular of his insolent behaviour the President instanced in, which was the two Letters wrote

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this Board dated the 23d. & 28th. August which they were inclin'd not to enter out of Kindness to Mr. Adams would he have behaved himself with any temper but that Since he has treated the board with So much ill manners he thought it proper they Should be entered with the rest that our Honourable Masters might be the more fully inform'd of all particulars, and the Sdl. Letters are accordingly entered with the rest.

The Secretary reports that he had been with Mr. Hart to Demand the Ballance of Mr. Petty's Account as inclosed from Mr. French but had recd for Answer that there is nothing in Mr. Petty's accounts (which he has with him) relating to the particulars mention'd in the Accot. Currt. and that most of Mr. Petty's papers are in Bengal.

AGREED that Copy of the Account be Sent to Bengll. whither Mr. Hart is going and that we desire the President & Council there to Settle that Account.

The Paymaster requesting money to defray Charges Garrison and other disbursements ORDER'D that two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas be advanced him.

The Warehousekeeper presents the Merchants Accot. Currt. for last month as enter'd hereafter ballance due to them Eleven thousd. one hundred Sixty two pagodas thirteen fanams and Eighteen Cash 11162. 13. 18 which is order'd to be paid.

General Letter No. 61 from Provl. Chief and Council of Fort St. David dated the 29th. Ulto. read inclosing their acount Currt. with the Presidency; and a petition from John Watson for his discharge from the Military and leave to go to Europe advising at the Same time that he is a married man and hath a Child.

Agreed that if the Said Watson will take his Wife & Child with him to Europe he may go but that we cannot permit him to leave them upon the publick.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash nine Thousand Six hundred 9600 pagodas for Six hundred Candys of Lead Sold by order of Consultation 23d. Ulto. and

Reports that he has purchased Six thousand Seven hundd. Seventy eight ounces nine penny wt. and two grains 6778. 9. 2 of Standard Siver Amounting at fourteen and a half dollars for Ten Pagodas to five Thousand three hundred and Seven pagodas two fanams and Sixty three Cash 5307.2.63 which Sum is ordered to be paid him.

The George Brigantine being very foul and also having been but ill caulked in Pegue & leaky there is a necessity for her going Somewhere to be repaired. It was therefore proposed to the board by the President to Consider where She Should go, and unanimously Agreed to Send her to Bombay for the following reasons.

That in Bengal we have always found ye. Charges of the Company Vessells when Sent thither to repair have amount'd to even more than the vessels themselves wou'd Sell for after being repair'd.

That both this Vessel and the Marlborough, have been So ill refitted in Pegue that there is no encouragement to Send her thither again She having just after her return from thence in her passage to Bencoolen damaged a great part of the goods She Carried over.

That we have good reason to believe the work will be well perform'd at Bombay and cheap and the President offering a freight of Six hundred pagodas for her it will go a great way towards clearing her expences which we cannot have if She goes anywhere else.

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AGREED therefore that we write to Bomby advising the President and Council that She is coming and desiring they will ordr. one or more Grabs to Convoy her up the Coast.

The Accountant reads the Journal parcels for ye. Month of July.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash five hundd. ninty Six pagodas eleven fanams and thirty Six Cash, 596. 11. 36 Ballance of his Accot. for the Month of July.

Nundalal and Gopaldause pay into Cash four hundred 400 Pagodas for Six Month's Rent of the Town Brokers Cowle due the 30th. June.

They also pay into Cash one hundred thirty Six pagds. twenty four fanams 136. 24.— for two month's Rent of the Measurs. Farm due the 20th. June last.

JAS. MACRAE.
G. M. PITT.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

1728—32.

Dr. SUNCAH RAMAH AND TOMBY CHITTY Cr.

1728 Augst. 31st.	To Custom	303 2 28		By Sundry Goods recd. in this Month Vizt.			
	To Moorty and Washers ..	10 18 2					
			313 20 30				
	To Ballance		11162 13 18				
		Pags.	11475 33 48				
	Memorandm.						
	To Cash advanced them ..	Ps.	30000 — —				
				Covs.			
				Long Cloth Ordry: White 72. Long 2¼ Broad.			
				No. 1 22 qt. 33 @ Pags. 31 18 ℔ Corge ..	1039 18 —		
				2 48 qt. 72 @ 30 9 ℔ Do. ..	2178 — —		
				3 44 qt. 66 @ 29 ℔ Do. ..	1941 — —		
				bs. 114 171		5131 18	[sic]
				Long Cloth Warripollum white 72 Covs. Long 2¼ bd			
				No. 1 4 qt 6 @ 33 18 ℔ Corge ..	201 — —		
				15 qt. 22·10 @ 33 9 ℔ Do. ..	725 22 40		
				bs. 19 28·10		926 22 40	
				Long Cloth fine White 92 Covds. Long 2¼ Broad.			
				No. 2 9 qt. 18 @ 55 ℔ Corge	990 — —		
				3 9 qt. 18 @ 50 ℔ Do.	900 — —		
				18 36		1890 — —	
				Sallempores Ordry. white 32 Covds. Long 2⅛ Bd.			
				No. 1 1 qt. 4 @ 14 18 ℔ Corge	58 — —		
				2 8 qt. 32 @ 13 18 ℔ Do.	432 — —		
				3 7 qt. 28 @ 12 18 ℔ Do.	350 — —		
				16 64		840 — —	
				Covds.			
				Sallempores Midleing White 35 Long 2⅛ bd.			
				No. 2 2 qt. 8 @ 16 10 ℔ Corge	130 8 —		
				3 2 qt. 8 @ 15 2 ℔ Do.	120 16 —		
				4 16		250 24 —	
				Sallempores fine White 32 Covds. Long 2⅛ Bd.			
				No. 1 1 qt. 5 @ 29 — ℔ Corge	145 — —		
				2 11 qt. 55 @ 27 — ℔ Do.	1485 — —		
				3 4 qt. 20 @ 25 — ℔ Do.	500 — —		
				16 80		2130 — —	
				By Custom 2¾ ℔ Cent on 187 bales amounting to Pagodas 11168. 28. 40		307 5 8	
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AUGUST THE 31st. 1728

E. EXCEPTED
℔ R. SYMONDS
E: Warehousekr.

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To Mr. Edward Croke

Provl. Chief &ca. Council of Fort Sr. David.

The Petition of John Watson

Humbly Shewth

That your Petitioner having Serv'd the Right Honble. Company upwards of Fifteen years unfeign'dly request you will please to grant his Discharge, to go to Europe to See his Aged Father who hath beg'd and got Liberty for the Same from the Honble Court of Directors in England as he is Assured by a Letter lately recd from thence &ct.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 9th. James Macrae Esqr. Governour President.
George Morton Pitt Esqr.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randall Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

The Warehousekeeper reports to the Board that in pursuance of the order of Council of the 12th. August he exposed the Velvets, druggets, and Camblets to Sale at the Sea Gate but finding no one offer a reasonable price he had Stop'd the Sale after a few pieces were disposed of. The account Sale of them he now delivers in and his report and the Accot. Sale are both enter'd after this Consultation.

He also pays into Cash four Thousand 4000 pagodas for broad Cloth Sold the Companys Merchants &

Reports that he has purchased two parcels of Silver weighs. three Thousand two hundred ninety Seven ounces eight penny wt. and fifteen grains 3297. 8. 15 at fourteen and a half dollar Weight for ten pagodas amounting to two Thousand five hundred eighty one pags. twenty four fanams 2581. 24. which Sum is ordered to be paid him.

Petition from Edward Brackstone read praying leave to go to Bengal in order for the recovery of his health having been long afflicted with a Severe flux which he hopes a Change of Air may relieve him from.

Agreed that his Petition be granted and that if he does not find that benefit in Bengal which he expects he may proceed further and try the other Coast or Surat.

Petition from John Hammond requesting that Some proper person be appointed to receive of him the Papers and Effects of John Packer deceased which came to his hands as attorney to the Said Packer whereupon it was

Order'd that Major Roach and the Secretary do Demand Letters of administration to the estate of John Packer deceased of the Mayor's Court.

Randal Fowke and Augustus Burton Administrators do the Estate of John Blunt Esqr. deliver a report to the Board of the Sale of Some things Consign'd out of Europe by Sr. John Blunt to his Son and pay the ballance into Cash for Accot. the Said Sr. John Blunt being one hundred Sixty Six pagodas ten fanams and four Cash 166. 10. 4.

Ordered that ye. Said Sum be placed to ye. Credit of Account Current London.

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General Letter N°. 62 dated 4th. September from the Provl. Chief and Council of Fort St. David read inclosE. Invoice and bill of Lading for two hundred Sixty three bales on board the George Brigantine.

ORDER'D that Ten Thousand 10,000 pagodas be Sent to Fort St. David on Fryday next for a Supply to their Cash.

There being a Vacancy in the Council of Fort St. David by the death of Mr. Tahourdin and Mr. Edward Harris being the Senior Servant there agreed that he be Youngest of Council at Fort St. David.

ORDERED that Mr. Richard Dockwra do come up hither and that he be Employ'd in the Secretary's office.

The President represents to the Board that the George Brigantine shou'd no Grab be on the Coast to meet and Convoy her up will not be Strong enough with her own People for her defence against Angria and the other rogues upon that Coast and therefore proposes that a Serjeant, Corporal and nine Men may be Sent on board her and that the Storekeeper Send off four large guns which is agreed to and Carriages for the Guns order'd to be made.

Veawsum Son to Rawsum Paupa Braminy renter of the Paddy Fields pays into Cash four hundred and ten 410 pagodas in part of his last years rent being all he has as yet Collected and with it a Petition Setting forth the reasons of his inability to pay his debt and praying redress.

In this Petition he having Affirmed that ye. inhabitants of Trivitore, Tandour &ct. have encroached upon his priviledges and Exported great Quantities of Salt to Sea wch. they never us'd to do. ORDER'D that a Committee consisting of Major Roach, Mr. Hyde and the Secretary do enquire into the Several Allegations in his Petition and into the Ancient Priviledges of the Inhabitants of those towns.

Our Honourable Masters having in their Letter by the Compton order'd New Sett of Standing orders to be made out and Sent home AGREED that Messrs. Burton, Peers and ye. Secretary do extract them and lay them before the board as Soon as may be.

AGREED that the remainder of the Company's Silver be Sent on Board the George and that She be dispatched to morrow.

JAS. MACRAE.
G. M. PITT.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HONBLE JAS. MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

Pursuant to an order of Council dated the 12th. August I exposed to Sale at the Sea Gate the Velvetts, Camblets, and Druggets which were in the Companys Warehouse but finding no one offer a reasonable price for them after a few pieces were disposed of I broke of the Sale. I am

FORT ST. GEORGE.
SEPTR. THE 9TH. 1728.

HOÑBLE SR. & SRS.
Your most humble Obedt. Servt.
ROBERT SYMONDS.

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OUTCRY OF THE FOLLOWING GOODS MADE THE 16TH AUGUST 1728 OUT OF THE IMPORT WAREHOUSE VIZT.

VELVETTS VIZT.

		piece					
Nemachor Chitty—Crimson		1	qt. $29\frac{3}{4}$	Yds.	@ 2 12	69	15 —
Govr. Macrae Esqr. Black		..	.. $12\frac{3}{4}$		@ 1 30	23	13 40
Mr. Peers	Do.	.. ..	.. 15		@ 1 27	26	9 —
Major Roach	Do.	.. ..	.. $26\frac{3}{8}$		@ 1 25	44	24 70
Govr. Macrae	Skie Blew	..	.. 29		@ 1 27	50	27 —
Major Roach	Do.	..	.. $28\frac{3}{4}$		@ 1-19	43	33 20
Juggapah	Purple Yds.	$169\frac{3}{8}$ ..	$27\frac{3}{4}$		@ 2 —	55	18 —
Govr. John Deane Esqr. Camblett		..	$48\frac{1}{4}$	@ fans	35	46	32 60
Matt: Empson Druggett		.. ..	$9\frac{1}{2}$	@	14	3	25 —
					pags.	364	18 30

E. E.

ROBERT SYMONDS

Import Warehousekr.

TO THE HOÑBLE JS. MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT SR. GEORGE &CR. COUNCIL.

HOÑBLE. SR. & SRS.

Having labour'd under a very Severe Flux for this twelve Months past, or upwards and finding myself much worse in the Monsoon than the other part of the year, I am apprehensive of the fatal consequence that may attend the approaching one, and therefore beg your Honour &ca. permission to go to Bengal this Season (the Rains being now over there) and I have great hopes to be So effectually reinstated in my health, as will enable me to perform with pleasure my Duty to my Honourable Employers; the Sea and change of Air being generally esteem'd of Benefitt in Such Cases.

I do Assure your Honour &ct. it is wth. a great Deal of reluctance I leave my Employment; but yet it is Some Satisfaction to me as it may be a means of rendring me more Capable of discharging that You were pleas'd lately to repose in me. I am with the greatest respect.

HONBLE SR. & SRS.

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 6TH. SEPTEMBER 1728.

Your most Obedt. and most Faithful Servt.

EDWARD BRACKSTONE.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CR. COUNCIL OF FORT SR. GEORGE.

HONBLE SR & SRS.

Having Some money and Effects under my care belonging to the Estate of Mr. John Packer Deceas'd and he dying Intestate I am at a loss how to discharge myself of that trust and therefore humbly beg your Honr. &ct. will please to appoint Some proper persons to Demand the Same which will very much oblige

HOÑBLE SR. & SRS.

FORT SR. GEORGE
SEPLR.YR. 9TH. 1728.

Your Most Obedt humble Servt.

JOHN HAMMOND.

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To the Hoñble Jas. Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour of Fort St. George &cr. Council.

Hoñble Sr. & Srs.

Your Honour &ct. having Appointed us to Petition the Court for being Administrators to the Estate of Mr. John Blunt lately deceased at Ingeram, he being Considerably Indebted to our Honourable Masters We think it our Duty to acquaint Your Honour &ct. that we lately took up a Letter by Ship George directed to the deceased, we open'd and found it from Sr. John Blunt his Father who desires him to give him Credit for the Value of what Liquors & Necessarys he has Sent him out by the Said Ship George which he makes to Amount to Fifty Pounds fourteen Shillings and Six Pence £ 50. 14. 6 but not to remitt him the money till further orders; of which we Acquaint'd Your Honour &ct. when we received the Letter and your opinion with ours was, that it ought to be kept Seperate from the Deceasd's Accounts the particulars and Cost as mention'd in the Said Letter are as follow.

		Dozn.	Dozn.	£.	s.	d.
Chest No. 1.	John Blunt Ingeram Claret	13½				
Do. No. 2.	Do.	11		25	—	—
Do. No. 2.	Resquebah Bottles ..	3				
	Cinnamon Water	3				
	Doctr. Stephens Water ..	3	1	1	12	6
	Citron Water	3				

		£	s		£.	s.	d.
Box No. 3.	John Blunt 2 Wigs	11	8	—			
	2 Hatts	2	3	—			
	3 pr. Silk Hose ..	2	3	—			
	3 Yds. Black Cloth.	5	5	—			
	3 Colour'd ..						
					21	2	—
Chests and other Incident Charges					3	—	—
				£	50	14	6

A Tub No. 4 John Blunt wth. a Cheshire Cdeese.

We recd the abovemention'd things except ye. Dozn. Bottles of Strong Water which were Said to be in the Chest No. 2 which Chest was open'd publickly at the Sea Gate with the rest and the Strong Waters cou'd no where be found, We wrote to the Chief Officer of the Ship imagining they might be packed up in a Case but he wrote back there cou'd not be found any Such thing in the Ship; and therefore we believe they never were put into the Chests, because they did Seem to have been open'd Since first packed, there were also a few Bottles of the Claret wanting, What came to our hands were duly taken care of and fairly put up at Publick outcry and a faithfull Accot. Sales thereof is as follows.

August the 27th. Anno 1728. Sold for Accor. St. John Blunt.

				Ps.		
Mr. Matt: Empson 3 Yards Black Cloth remnts.	.. ..			6	27	—
Capt. John West 2 Colour'd Cloth				11	27	—
Mr. Richd. Stephens 1 Hatt				3	—	—
Captain Thomas Ogden 1 Do.				3	11	—
Mr. John Stratton 1 Tye Wig				13	35	—
Capt. Alexander Gibson 1 Ditto		11	5 —			
Ditto 1 Large Cheshire Cheese		8	6 —			
				19	11	—
Mr Henry Crawford pair 3 Silk Stockings ..				5	—	—
Mr. Abraham Solomon 2 Boxes				—	35	—

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	Dozn.		P. ff.	Ps. ff.		
Mr. Augustus Burton	3	Bottles Claret @	2 13	℔ Gall 21	9 —	
Ditto	3		2 14	20	9 —	
Ditto	2 : 8		2 $\frac{8}{8}$	19	— —	
Ditto	3		1 7	9	27 —	
Ditto	3		1 7	9	27 —	
Ditto	3		1 7	9	27 —	
Ditto	2 : 9		1 9	10	11 20	
						100 2 20
Mr. John Coales	3		2 14			21 18 —
						185 22 20

Customs	Ps.	9 10 8	
Deduct Charges Commission		9 10 8	
Boat hire and Cooley		— 10 —	
Cryers fees		— 18 —	
			19 12 16
	Ps.		166 10 4

The Ballance of the foregoing Accot. being one hundred and Sixty Six Pagodas Ten fanams and Four Cash 166. 10. 4 we humbly crave leave to pay it into the Honourable Companys Cash for Accot. Sr. John Blunt aforesaid, And that this paper may be enter'd after this Consultation. We respectfully remain

Fort St. George
September the 9th. 1728.

Hoñble Sr. & Srs.
Your very Obedt. humble Servants
Randal Fowke.
Augustus Burton.

To the Honble James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour &ca. Council of Fort Sr. George.

The Humble petition of Coolecherla Veaksum Braminy

Sheweth

That a Certain track of Land belonging to the Compy. lying out from Tom Clark's Gate up to the Batteries together wth. another track lying along the river from Coomerapollum towards Trivalore commonly known by the Name of the Companys Paddy fields were formerly rented at forty pagodas ℔ Annum. But when the Cowle was out in Governour Harrison's time He being desirous of raising the Companys revenue put it up at Outcry & promis'd that the highest bidder Shou'd be permitted to wear a Roundel as a mark of distinction for his endeavours to Serve the Company with which great Honr. my Uncle Paupa Braminy being extreamly encourag'd gave as far as Seven hundred and ten Pagodas ℔ Annum for what formerly lett at only forty, for ten years tho': heknew he must lose a great deal by it and in fact he has lost every year near three hundred pagodas ℔ Annum for payment of his debts contracted by this means. I have mortgag'd my houses, gardens &ca and now all mine and my Fathers debts Contracted on this Accot. amount to upwards of two Thousand pagodas.

Now your Petitioner humbly begs leave to represent to your Honour &ca. that Althô the Cowle is given for Lands called Paddy fields yet a very Small part thereof is fit for that Use and therefore the rest hath for many Years been Converted into Salt Pans and by the Proffitt arising there from your Petitioner and his Father have hitherto been enabl'd to pay the annual rent till within this little time that Several persons have presum'd to make Salt in the Companys Bounds and bring it into town and also to Ship it off to the great prejudice of your Petitioner who by giving So large a rent cannot be Suppos'd to be able to Sell So cheap as those people who pay nothing for this Liberty; nor is this all for they even buy Salt from the Moores and import it

into the Companys bounds by which undue practices Your Petitioner is prevented Sell^{g}. his Salt and is therefore unable to pay his rent without Your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. will give him immediate redress.

Your Petitioner doth not pretend to infringe the liberty which the Inhabitants of Tandoor, Trivitore &c^{t}. have formerly enjoy'd but only hopes Your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. will restrain them from encroaching on his undoubted rights.

They formerly had five Pitts in those parts where they made Salt and had the priviledge of Selling to y^{e}. Country people who brought a few oxen to carry it away & Sometimes having first obtain'd leave from the Farmer of the Paddy fields wou'd Load five or ten garse of Salt on board of boats but they were never permitted more, of late they have neglected to ask leave of me and by great Quantities of Salt they have Ship'd off to boats and Ships by underselling Me They have been encouraged to increase the Number of their Salt Pans by which Means I have now upwards of Six hundred garse of Salt which I cannot dispose of.

I am therefore humbly to request your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. that You will please to order that nobody be permitted to load any Salt within the Companys bounds or bring it into town for Sale without leave from me or else it will be impossible for me to Continue to pay the large rent I now do.

I am also to request that the Pedda naigue may be oblig'd to keep a Watch over my Salt as he did in my Fathers time but hath Since neglected and by that means I have lost great quantities for which I humbly hope Your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. will please to oblige him to make Satisfaction.

And Since the only inducement to my Fathers giving So large a rent for these grounds was the token of Honour given him I promise myself Your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. will allow me to wear the Roundel as he did if I Still pay the great Rent he did.

All these particulars are most humbly Submitted to your Hon^{r}. &^{as}. clemency on which Your Petitioner most humbly depends for ease in these his hard Circumstances and as in duty bound Shall ever pray.

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esq^{r}.	Governour President.	Monday 16th.
George Morton Pitt Esq^{r}.		
Robert Symonds.	John Roach.	
Randal Fowke.	Samuel Hyde.	
Augustus Burton.	Charles Peers.	

The Warehousekeeper requesting one Thousand pagodas 1000 for the painters Agreed that it be advanced him.

General Letter N^{o}. 63 from the Prov^{l}. Chief and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 10th. Inst^{t}. read inclosing Invoice and bill of Lading for Seventy one Bales on board the Ramah together with their Cash Account and Warehousekeepers indent.

Ordered that the Francis Captain Lawson who Arrived here the 12th. Instant be dispatch'd on Thursday next to Bengal which the Board Judge to be much more for the Interest of our Honourable Masters than keeping her here to go home an early Ship it being impossible to Load her before the Setting in of the Monsoon at which time it will be by no means Safe to risque the Honourable Company's Effects in this road, besides that by her late arrival here She will not enter into demorage till the 12th. January So that her Stay will be no Charge to our Hoñble Masters and by Sending her down we Shall have no opportunity of Supplying Bengal with the twenty five Chests of Treasure that came on her from Europe.

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AGREED further we not have^{s}. purchased all the Silver we propos'd to Send to the Bay that the Warehousekeep^{r}. do provide what bullion and Rupees he can between this and Thursday not exceeding in the whole with w^{t}. before bought the one hundred thousand pagodas which we before agreed to lay out.

The Season being So far advanc'd and we being Sufficiently Supplied with Lead and Coales it was agreed to leave on board what came by the Francis rather than detain the Ship to take them out and

Also the two Cases of velvets of which we have a great quantity on hand which will not Sell.

Petition of M^{r}. John Dickson Surgeon of the Frances, for Headmoney for eighteen Soldiers read, &

ORDERED that the Paymaster do discharge the Same.

JA^{s}. MACRAE.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 23^{D}.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR PRESID^{T}.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHA^{S}. PEERS.

James Macrae Esq^{r}. Mint Master reads that Acco^{t}. for the Month of August Ballance due from him Eighty Six Thousand Seven hundred fifty nine rupees five anas 86759. 5. which are carried to the next account and one hundred forty one pagodas thirty four fanams and thirty Cash 141. 34. 30 which is now paid in.

The Accountant reads the Journal parcels for the month of July.

Robert Symonds reads the Export Warehouse account for last month ballance due from him two hundred & thirteen pagodas fifteen fanams and fifty Cash 213. 15. 50 w^{ch}. is carried to next months account.

He also reads the Import Warehouse Acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him three Thousand five hundred and eleven pagodas fifteen fanams and twenty one Cash 3511. 15. 21 which is carri'd to next months Acco^{t}.

John Roach Paymaster reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	P^{s}. 1347	4	40
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	46	1	—
Charges Extraordinary	25	13	20
Charges General	411	27	10
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Sorting Godown Screws	12	5	65
New Powder house	235	20	50
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Bengal Presidency	18	18	—
Repairs of Fortifications	42	1	55
	P^{s}. 2813	20	—

Ballance due to him three hundred and thirteen pagodas twenty fanams 313. 20. which are now paid.

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The Extraordinary Expence of this account arises from the following particulars Viz^{t}.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.						
Diet to 1 Prisoner, as Marshal's Note ..	1	—	—			
Paid 12 Soldiers arrived by the George, 12 fa^{s}. ea.	4	—	—			
Paid the Surgeon of the George's Head money	13	12	—			
Boat hire fetching y^{e}. George's Soldiers ashore	—	15	—			
Peons Batty and Cooley hire for the Gov^{rs}. going to the Mount	6	22	20			
				25	13	20
SORTING GODOWN SCREWS.						
Workmen &c^{t}. employ'd in making them ..	7	24	20			
Iron and Sea Coal, as ℔ Storekeep^{rs}. Note ..	4	17	45			
				12	5	65
NEW POWDER HOUSE.						
Workmen employ'd in the Building ..	31	10	40			
Materials	204	10	10			
				235	20	50
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.						
Allowance money to the Widow Burton & her Children				25	—	—
BENGAL PRESIDENCY.						
Paid the Steward of the Hospital, by order of Consultation his Bill for Victualling the Bengal Soldiers from y^{e}. Compton, while they remain'd Sick ashoar in the Hospital here				18	18	—
			Pag^{s}.	316	21	55

Randal Fowke Sea Customer reads his Account for the month of August Viz^{t}.

Custom on goods Imported	P^{s}.	1877	23	16
Ditto on Grain		31	22	4
Anchorage		39	—	—
	P^{s}.	1948	9	20

ball^{ce}. due from him Seven thousand and Eighty pagodas Eight fanams & Six Cash 7080. 8. 6 of which he now pays four Thousand 4000 pag^{s}.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash four hundred Sixty one pagodas nine fanams and Seventy nine Cash 461. 9. 79 for ballance of his last month's Account.

Poncala Kistna and Com Citty Tobacco and Beetle farmers pay into Cash Eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams 833. 12. for a Month's rent of that Farm due y^{e}. 5th. Inst^{t}.

Poncala Kistna Farmer of the Arrack and Wine Licence pays into Cash three hundred thirty five pagodas 335 for one Month's rent due the 5th. Instant.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

N^{o}. 64 from the President and Council of Bengal dated 31st. July 1728 advising the arrival of the Hertford and Stretham with them and inclosing a packet for the Honourable Court of Directors.

N^{o}. 65 & 66 from the Prov^{l}. Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated 24th. and 27th. Ult^{o}. the first to accompany their General books the other the abovemention'd Bengal Letter.

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N°. 67 from the Prov[l]. Chief and Council of Fort S[t]. David dated 18[th]. Inst[t]. advising the Arrival of the last Supply of Cash Sent them.

ORDER'D that a General Letter be Dispatch'd to Fort S[t]. David with the Packet fom Bengal to be Sent home by the French Ships and that Such paragraphs of the Honourable Court of Directors Letters As relates to that Settlement be drawn out & Sent them, Also

That General Letters be prepar'd to go by the George to Bombay, Tellicherry and Anjenga and that we desire the Chiefs of the two last places to Secure a Convoy for her.

The President Acquaints the Board that Coja Petrose having purchas'd Some godowns behind the Companys Lodgings near the Choultry gate has Offer'd to purchase the Said Lodgings also, they being very Convenient for him.

ORDER'D that the Paymaster with Mess[rs]. Fowke and Burton do make an Estimate of the value of the Said Lodgings and Report the same to the Board together with an Account of what use they are to the Company and whether they can Conveniently be Spar'd or not.

The Warehousekeeper Reports that he purchased agreeable to the Resolve of last Consultation and Ship'd on Board y[e]. Francis Eight Thousand two hundred and Sixteen ounces one penny w[t]. and three grains 8216. 1. 3 of Stand[d]. Silver at fourteen and a half Dollar w[t]. for ten pagodas amounting to Six thousand four hundred thirty two pagodas twenty two fanams and forty two Cash 6432. 22. 42 and Eighty two thousand four hundred and twenty Rupees 82420 at three hundred and Eight for one hundred pagodas amounting to twenty Six thousand Seven hundred fifty nine pagodas twenty Six fanams and fifty eight Cash 26759. 26. 58 which Sums are ORDER'D to be paid him.

The Madeira Wine being now fine ORDER'D that Musters be drawn in order that the wine may be exposed to Sale on Wednesday next at outcry.

Mess[rs]. Symonds, Roach and Hyde deliver to the Board their Report in Consequence of an order of Council of the first August appointing them to Consider of ways and means to obviate inconveniencies that might arise from too General a liberty of trade and also to Consider of Some other particulars in that order at large Contain'd which Report is read and Contains in Substance as follows.

That they Conceive the Honourable Court of Directors have by their Letter this year by the Compton put a Stop to any further enquiries upon that head, having declared that though they are Sensible of the Loss to their Customs by Ships not Returning to this port yet they cannot forbid their Covenant Servants to trade to what ports they like best.

That M[r]. Barne having falsified his Word in not returning to this port they think it requisite that we desire the President and Council of Bengal to Send him home from thence he being as it is Said desig'd thither.

That the Bengalers Sending a Resident to Pegue is contrary to our rights and that the 40[th]. paragraph of the abovemention'd Letter from the Company being express in this Case they propose that Shou'd also be Sent to Bengal.

ORDER'D that a General Letter to Bengal be drawn out to the above purport and that the Report be enter'd after this Consulation.

JA[s]. MACRAE.
ROB[t]. SYMONDS.
J : ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S[LL]. HYDE.
AUG : BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

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To the Hoñble. James Macrae Esqr.

President and Governour of Fort St. George &ca. Council.

Honble Sr. & Srs.

In complyance with an order of Council dated August ꝑmo. 1728 we formed ourselves in a Comittee to consider of ways and means to Obviate those Inconveniencies which might hereafter arise from too great and General a Liberty of Trade, Sundry examples of which are laid down in Said Consultation; After maturely weighing that Affair We had provided our Selves with Reasons and Arguments Shewing ye. Necessity there was of Some Limitations to those who traded from this Port But found no Restrictions cou'd be put upon the Trade but what necessarily drew Some ill Consequences after them. Whilst we were engaged in these thoughts the Compton arrived with a General Letter from the Honourable Court of Directors dated from London the 14th. February wherein they write in the 41st. paragraph touching the Irregularities and Difficulties arising from Private Trade, that notwithstanding they are Sensible of the Diminution of their Customs occasion'd by so general an Indulgence granted to their Covenanted Servants and Free Merchants that So long as they keep within those Rules order'd by the Company, We can't See how we can forbid their Trade to any ports where they like best, This So possitive a declaration has put a Stop to our further enquiry upon that head.

What the Honourable President pleases to represent relating to Mr. Barnes who has broke his word and is gone to Pegue instead of Returning to this Port, we humbly propose that a paragraph be incerted in the next General Letter to the Gentlemen at Callicutta desiring they wou'd put in execution ye. Resolution of this Board touching the Said Barnes who we hear is gone to Bengal.

How far the Gentlemen at Fort William have invadd. the Rights and Libertys of this Presidency is but too Evident by their lately Sending over a Sham Resident to that Port what claim or pretentions they have for their So doing they have never made appear, therefore with Submission we think it requisite that a Copy of the 40 paragraph of the Companys Letter by the Compton be Sent for their perusall where in the close of Said Letter they almost in direct Terms declare Pegue to be our appendix and Subordinate to this Presidency, We are

Fort St. George
Septr. ye. 23d. 1728.

Honble Sr. & Sr.
Your most Obedt. humble Servts.
Robert Symonds.
John Roach.
Samuel Hyde.

At a Consultation

Present

James Macrae Esqr. Governor & President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

Saturday 28th

General Letter Nº. 68 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlborough dated 15th. August read giving an account of proceedings there Since the arrival of Mr. Morse.

The Moonsoon being now coming on So that the Marlborough cannot lye in the road and the Gentlemen at Bencoolen writing us they are in great want of Salt It was agreed as the Marlborough is in good Condition and wants no repair to Return her thither immediatly, with Salt and

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ORDER'D that the Secretary do acquaint the Captain to get his Ship in readyness with all expedition

ORDER'D that Messrs. Symonds, Fowke and Peers do inspect the Books and Papers from the West Coast and make a report thereof to the Board as Soon as possible.

Petition from Nathl. Ross Setting forth that he has Serv'd as our Ensign on this Coast Several years and praying to Succeed to the Vacancy At Fort Marlborough occasion'd by the death of Lieutenant Hairstens read and Granted, and

ORDER'D that a Commission be accordingly drawn out for him.

The Gentlemen from Fort Marlborough writing us that the James and Mary Shou'd be dispatched in October for this place which Ship will want at least eight hundred Bales AGREED to write immediately to Bengal advising that we shall have only three Thousand two hundred 3200 Bales in Janry. instead of four Thousand 4000 which we before advised.

The Committee appointed to inspect into the rights which the Inhabitants of Tandore, Trivitore &ct. have to make Salt deliver in their report as enter'd hereafter by which it appearing that they have equal right with the farmers of the Paddy fields, It was AGREED that we cannot take the liberty from them and as Veahsum Braminy without that cannot pay his Rent for which he is now Considerably behind hand and the Renter of Tandour &ct. Villages being willing to take the Cowle at the old rent, It was AGREED to take it away from Veahsum Braminy who is not able to pay the Rent of it and to grant it to Poncala Kistna who is bound for the Renters of Tandore &ct. on the following terms to which he being present consented Vizt.

That all the Salt which the Company Shall want he Shall be obliged to deliver them clear on board at three 3 pagodas ℔ Garse.

That he shall Sell the Butteca people and to other retailers at four pagodas ℔ Garse who Shall not be permitted to retail it at more than five 5 pagodas ℔ Garse.

It was further AGREED both Poncala Kistna & Veahsum being present that Poncala Kistna Shou'd take all the Salt which is now on hand paying the other three pagodas ℔ Garse for it and there being two thirds of the year elapsed that the produce of those parts of the Lands where Paddy and other grain is Sown, Shall be divided into three Shares of which two Shall be paid to Veahsum and the other to Poncala Kistna and Poncala Kistna desiring that the Cowle may determine at the Same time with that for the three Villages AGREED that it Commence the first of October 1728 and end the 30th. June 1735 being Six years and nine months.

ORDER'D that a Cowle be drawn out accordingly.

The Paymaster and the other Gentlemen appointed to Survey the Lodgings by the Choultry Gate deliver a report of the Condition of them as enter'd after this Consultation by which it appears that to Repair those Lodgings wou'd cost about four hundd. 400 pagodas and to purchase the back yards and other Conveniences a great deal more and that the house is of no other use but for a Lodging for the Land Customer being near his Business.

AGREED therefore that the President be desired to Sell it for the most he can get.

ORDER'D to advance four month's Diet to the Captain of the George Brigantine for the Soldiers going on her, at four fanams ℔ Diem.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash three thousand 3000 pagodas on Accot. of Broad Cloth Sold the Merchants.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper reads that Accot. for last month ballance due from him Seven hundred and eleven pagodas four fanams and forty Six Cash 711. 4. 46 wch. are carried to next month's Account.

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The Accomptant produces the account Salary to the 25th. Instant which is read and ORDER'D to be paid amounting as ℔ Account particulars enter'd after this Consultation to fourteen hundred thirty five pagodas fifteen fanams and fifty three Cash 1435. 15. 53.

JA^{s}. MACRAE.
ROB^{t}. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
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CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HOÑBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF NATH^{L}. ROSS

SHEWETH

That your Petitioner has Serv'd the Hoñble Company for Several Years past in this place and Fort S^{t}. David as an Ensign in which Employ he can Safely Say he has behaved So as to give content to his Superiours and now hearing there is a Lieutenant's post vacant at Bencoolen He humbly hopes his past behaviour will Recommend him to Your Honour &c^{t}. and gain him that employ in the which he promises to do his utmost to Recommend himself further to the Honourable Court of Directors and to Your Honour &c^{t}. and your petitioner as in duty bound &c^{t}.

TO THE HOÑBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HOÑBLE S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

In pursuance to your orders in Consultation of the [*lacuna*] We have examin'd the Cowles granted to Rawsum Paupa Brahminy for the paddy fields and to the inhabitants of the three and the five Villages for the lands of them in neither of which Cowles there is any mention of Salt pits or any liberty given for making Salt. The Lands let to Paupa Braminy have always had an indisputed right of at least for any claim the other Renters had against it of making and Selling Salt and of exporting to Sea & bringing it hither to Sell. The Inhabitants of Trivitore have allways had twenty Salt pits and by an examination of the Town Conicoply of that place We find that in the time when those villages belong'd to the Moors they exported their Salt to Sea. That Moorta Vencaty Chitty when he Rented them after the Company took possession Sent Salt to Sea and that the present renters do so likewise These Villages the Company have had but twelve years.

As to the Renters of Tondour We find that when Paupa Brahminy first took y^{e}. rent of the Paddy fields in M^{r}. Harrisons Government they had eleven Salt pits which they valu'd at So Small a rate that Paupa Braminy rented them at two pagodas each that in M^{r}. Collets time on the Brahminies desertion, Suncaramah taking the Paddy fields took also those Salt pits at the Same rate and on the Braminys Return He again took them for the Same money but on granting the last Cowle the renters refused to part with them.

During the time that Paupa Braminy and Suncaramah had those pits they Shipp'd of Salt to Sea and brought it into Town at pleasure but the present renter of the Paddy fields answers to that, that while they held both the Salt grounds it was no matter from which place it was brought because the Same person rented both but that the inhabitants having now refused him those pits he claims the Sole priviledge of bring^{g}. Salt to town and Sending it off to Sea.

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The Inhabitants of Cattavaa[k] had but two pits which they have Since made four the Salt made there is not very Considerable but the renter of the paddy fields Complains that they buy Salt from the Moores and bring it to Cattavaa[k] to Ship off.

We have only to add that the Rent for the paddy fields is Seven hundred and ten pagodas ℔ Annum most of which is to be produced out of the Salt made there, That Tandore, PersiaVaah & Egmore are rented at fourteen hundred and eighty five pagodas of w^ch^. the two last villages make no Salt. That Trivitore &c^t^. Villages pay only twelve hundred pagodas and three of them make no Salt This is the fullest Acco^t^. we can get of this Affair which we now lay before Y^r^. Honour &c^t^. and are

HOÑBLE S^R^. & S^RS^.
Your most Obed^t^. Servants
JOHN ROACH.
[*Lacuna*].

TO THE HOÑBLE JAMES MACRAE Esq^r^.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &C^r^. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE.

HOÑBLE S^R^. & S^RS^.

Pursuant to an order of last Consultation we have been to view the Lodgings at the Choultry ; which being near the Land Customers Business, was built for that use many years ago ; being two upper Rooms : Under which is one large Room, but dark & damp where his Assistant for the most part us'd to Lye, which Necessity generally Obliged him for want of a better place : And when he cou'd get anywhere else, the Land Customer, made a Godown of it being fit for no other use ; But Still being Confin'd to the two upper Rooms only without any manner of back Conveniencys ; He from time to time for many years found himself obliged to Rent a piece of Ground that join'd to the Building backward at his own Expence, and caused the Landlord upon Some Stipulation between them, to carry up a pair of Stairs to the back part of one of the upper Rooms, where he broke out a Door at the Stair head, which Remains to this day, and Renders it as it now Stands, teneable ; Provided the Said Lodgings are thorowly Repair'd ; which we think cannot be reported So to be, without Uncover^s^. it and taking it down to the first Storey, which neither can we think very Sound being done So many years and with palmeras ; which to new floar Build up again, and cover with Teak Timbers, and make it Complete and durable will we believe Cost upwards of four hundred pagodas 400. We are told the person that now owns the aforesaid will give three hundred pagodas 300 for the Said Lodgings which we believe if our Honourable Masters Shou'd have no occasion for hereafter they had better Accept of the Offer.

The present Land Customer has a habitation of his own, and makes no use of this : But if your Honour &c^t^. Shall think it necessary to Reserve it for the use it was first designed, We are to Inform You that upon the peice of Ground above-mention'd (which we believe measures about fifty five feet one way and forty the other) are Several Conveniencys Substantialy Built and Terrass'd, and if the Body of Lodgings is repair'd as we Said before there will be a habitation for the Land Customer to perpetuity.

Which will be most for the Benefit of our Honourable Masters either to purchase the one and repair the other or Sell and relinquish both ; We humbly Submit to your Honour &c^t^. better Judgment and most Respectfully Subscribe.

HOÑBLE S^R^. &C^r^.
Your Obed^t^. humble Servants
JOHN ROACH.
RAND^L^. FOWKE.

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ACCOUNT SALARY DUE TO THE COMPANYS COVENANTED SERVANTS FROM THE 25TH. OF MARCH TO THE 25TH. SEPTEMBER 1728 IS SIX MONTHS VIZT.

	£	£	£	P. F. C.
The Honourable James Macrae Esqr. Presidt...	@ 200 ℔ Ann	100 — —		
Ditto Gratuity	100	50 — —		
			150 — —	333 12 —
Robert Symonds Esqr. 2d. of Council	100		50 — —	111 4 —
John Roach Esqr. 3	70		35 — —	77 28 —
Randal Fowke Esqr. 4th; ..	50	25 — —		
Do Reading Divine Service ..	50	25 — —		
			50 — —	111 4 —
Samuel Hyde Esqr. 5	40		20 — —	44 16 —
Augustus Burton Esqr. 6 ..	40		20 — —	44 16 —
Mr. Chas. Peers 7th.	40		20 — —	44 16 —
Mr. Nichs. Morse 8th. to the 22d. of April is 28 days	40		3 1 4½	6 29 40
Mr. Stephen Newcome Senior Mercht.	40		20 — —	44 16 —
Mr. George Torriano Senior Mercht.	40	20 — —		
Ditto reading Divine Service ..	50	25 — —		
Ditto Gratuity as Secretary ..	10	5 — —		
			50 — —	111 4 —
Mr. John Lauder Senior Mercht. mos. days to the 23d. of June is 2 : 29.	40		9 16 10¾	21 31 47
Mr. Paul Foxley Junr. Mercht. mo. ds. to the 5th. of July is 3 : 10 ..	30	8 6 5¼		
Ditto Senior Do. from ditto m. d. 2 : 20	40	8 17 2		
			17 3 7¼	38 6 33
Mr. Matthew Empson Junr. Merchant	30		15 — —	33 12 —
Mr. Richard English Do. ..	30		15 — —	33 12 —
Mr. Ralph Mansell Junior Merchant	30		15 — —	33 12 —
Mr. William Monson Do. ..	30		15 — —	33 12 —
Mr. John Stratton Do.	30		15 — —	33 12 —
Mr. John Bulkeley Factor to ye. mo. ds. 9th of August is 4 : 15 ..	15	5 12 4		
Ditto Junior Merchant from do. 1. 15	30	3 14 8		
			9 7 —	20 28 —
Mr. Thomas Weston Factor and Assay Master	30		40 — —	88 32 —
Mr. Thomas Eyre Do.	15		7 10 —	16 24 —
Mr. Chas. Gee Ditto to the 22d. of ds. April is 28	15		1 3 —	2 20 —
Mr. Chas. Barrington Factor ..	15		7 10 —	16 24 —
Mr. Samuel Parkes Do	15		7 10 —	16 24 —
Mr. Holland Goddard Writer to m. d. the 18th July is 3 : 23 ..	5	1 11 3½		
Ditto Factor from do. 2 : 27 ..	15	2 15 9		
			4 7 ½	9 24 13

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Mr. Wood Smart Writer ..	5	2 10 —	5 20 —
Mr. Edward Brackstone ..	5	2 10 —	5 20 —
Mr. John Hammond	5	2 10 —	5 20 —
Mr. John Savage	5	2 10 —	5 20 —
Mr. William Martin	5	2 10 —	5 20 —
Mr. Andrew Pecheir Surgeon ...	36	18 — —	40 — —
Mr. Matt: Lindsay Do.	36	18 — —	40 — —
		£ 645 18 11	1435 15 53

FORT St. GEORGE
SEPTEMBER THE 25TH. 1728.

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
℔ ROBERT SYMONDS.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 1ST.

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

General Letter No. 69 dated 28th. September from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David read giving an Account of the arrival of Mr. Pitt and Returning the Bengal packet which we Sent them the French Ships being Sail'd before the receipt of it.

ORDER'D that ten Thousand 10000 pagodas be Sent thither on Fryday next for a Supply of their Cash.

The Warehousekeeper produces musters of our Cloth to Send to Anjenga agreeable to their Request to us in a Letter dated 24th. Febry. which being examin'd and approv'd were Sealed and ORDER'D to the Sent on board the George Brigantine for that place.

The Companys Wine having been put up at outcry Fryday last when all the Council were present and only one pipe Sold at fifty pagodas the Sale was Stop'd and it is now AGREED that fifty pagodas 50, be the Standard price at which the Warehousekeeper may Sell but not under.

The Paymaster requesting money for the Garrison and other disbursments ORDER'D that two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas be advanced him on that Account.

The Storekeeper wanting money for payment of arrears and impress to the Marlbrough and the George Brigantine ORDER'D that Seven hundred 700 pagodas be advanced him.

Lieutenant Ross requesting an advance of three months pay on his going over to Fort Marlborough ORDER'D yt. it be paid him.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1728——

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT. MONDAY 7TH.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

The Export Warehousekeeper produces the Merchants Acco^t^. Current for the last month ballance due to them and now paid Six thous^d^. Six hundred twenty two pagodas twenty fanams and thirty nine Cash 6622. 20. 39.

He also Requesting an advance of one thousand pagodas 1000 to pay the Merchants for the Washers order'd that it be paid him.

The President pays into Cash Six hundred Pagodas 600 for the freight of the George Brigantine and

three hundred and fifty pagodas 350 for the Companys house by the Choultry Gate Sold agreeable to a Resolution in Consultation 28^th^. Ultimo to Coja Petrose.

ORDER'D that a Bill of Sale be drawn out for the Same.

The Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash two Thousand 2000 pagodas for broad Cloth Sold the Merchants.

Poncala Kistna who had agreed to take the Paddy fields the 20^th^. Ultimo having Requested that the Cowle might be given to Deveroyah Moodelaire he Signing as Security for the payment of the Rent and performance of the other Articles. A Cowle was accordingly drawn out produced and Sign'd to the Said Deveroyah Moodelaire and the Said Deveroyah Sign'd the Counter part and Poncala Kistna executed a Security bond as enter'd in the Cowle book.

Commissions Sign'd for Mess^rs^. Nath^l^. Ross and William Maskelyne to be Lieutenants at Fort Marlborough and for M^r^. George Peele, to be Ensign here in the room of the Said Ross.

The President reads the account of the Companys Cash for September ballance remaining one hundred fifty two thous^d^. and Seventy three pagodas, eight fanams and twenty five Cash 152073. 8. 25 which is carried to next month's account.

M^r^. Dockwra who was order'd up hither from Fort S^t^. David Requesting his travelling charges to be allowed him from thence ORD^D^. that the paymaster pay him ten 10 pagodas.

The President produces a letter and Attestation &c^t^. from Juggadooa relating to the dispute about a Paddy boat formerly before the Court of Appeals which being read, it was AGREED that M^r^. Symonds do deliver them to the Mayors Court with some other Letters and papers which he hath relating to the Same.

The President acquaint^s^. the Board that the George Brigantine is ready to Sail ORDER'D that the Sailing orders be drawn out and deliver'd the Captain.

The Storekeeper presents lists of Stores wanting for the Marlborough and George Brigantine as enter'd hereafter which are ORDER'D to be Complied with having been first examin'd and found necessary.

There being Several things in the indent from Fort Marlborough which are not in Store and others that can't be got ready in time.

AGREED that the Storekeeper be permitted to purchase what is to be had in town to Send now and that the Paymaster do provide the Stone dogs and Iron Stone intended for against the next opportunity.

JA^s^. MACRAE.
[*Lacuna*].
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^LL^. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

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Dr. SUNCA RAMAH AND TOMBY CHITTEE Cr.

To Custom and Washing. 519 31 22
To Ballance 6622 20 39
Pags. 7142 15 61

By Sundry Goods Recd. of them this Month Vizt.

Long Cloth Warriapm. 72 Covds. Long & 2¼ broad.

1	5 qt.	7 10 @ pags.	33	18 ℔	Corge ..	251	9 —
2	17	25 10 @	32	9 ℔	Do. ..	822	13 40
3	3	4 10 @	31	℔	Do. ..	139	18 —
	25	37 18					1213 4 40

Long Cloth ordry. wt. 72 Covds. Long & 2¼ broad.

1	19 qt.	28 10 @ pags.	31	18 ℔	Corge ..	897	27 —
2	39	58 10 @	30	9 ℔	Do. ..	1769	22 40
3	30	45 @	29	℔	Do. ..	1305	— —
	88	132					3972 13 40

Sallamprs. Ordry. wt. 32 Covds. Long & 2⅛ broad.

1	3 qt.	8 @ Pags.	14	18 ℔	Corge ..	116	— —
2	6	24 @	13	18 ℔	Do. ..	324	— —
3	7	28 @	12	18 ℔	Do. ..	350	— —
	15	60					790 — —

Sallamprs. Midls. wt. 32 Covds. Long & 2⅛ broad.

2	3 qt.	12 @ pags.	16	10 ℔	Corge ..	195	12 —
3	2	8 @	15	2 ℔	Do. ..	120	16 —
	5	20					315 28 —

Y I
Chints Moorees 10 Yds. Long & from 1 : 6½
Y I
to 1 : 8 broad 1¾ qt. 16 10 @ pag. 40 ℔ Corge .. .. 660 — —

By Custom on 136 Bales ¼ Amounting to pags. 6951 : 10 @ 2¾ ℔c 191 5 61

N.B.
Cash advanced them .. 30000 — —

Pags. 7142 15 61

E.E.

℔ ROBt. SYMONDS
E. Warehousekeeper.

A DEMAND FOR A SUPPLY OF STORES FOR THE HONOURABLE COMPANYS SHIP THE MARLBOROUGH VIZT.

Cable Europe of 12 Inches	1
Hauser Coyer of 5¾	1
Ropes Coyer of 4¼	1
of 4	1
of 3	2
of 2½	2
of 2	2
of 1½	2
Tar Barrls.	2
℔	
Dammer boyl'd up	300
Oy'l Jarrs	2
Coconutt [oyl] for Small Arms Galls.	2
Wood Oyl Galls.	10
Candles Maund	4
Dungaree Ps.	20
Twin Maund	1
Line Deep sea	1

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Log Lines	12
Seizing Lines	14
Housling Lines	8
Sailneedles Dozens	3
Bolt Rope Needles	6
Hollands Duck Bolt	4
Compass Cards	3
Glasses	2
Lantherns Tin	4
Dark Lanthern	1
Lead Nails for D°. pounds	2
Cotton Thread for the Lamp	Three pound.
Thread for mend^{s}. of Colours	One pound.
Needles for D°.	Twenty.
Bunton for Colours	One Sett.
Cloth for Cartridges	Four pieces.
Bengal Paper	Six Quire.
Gimbletts of Sorts	Twenty.
Small Hammer	One.
Shovles	Three.
Cuddalleys	Three.
Basket Balast	Thirty.
Boom Irons	Two.
Clamps for the Filler	Two.
Ring bolt for the Back Stay	One.
Nails { Small	Three pound.
Nails { Scupper	Six pound.
Nails { Pump	Two pound.
Pump Speers	Two
Pump Box's upper and Lower	6 ea.
Bucket wood	Seven.
Leather	Three.
Casks for Water	Two & half Tonn.
Long boats Oars	Four.
Firewood	3000 Sticks.
Salt	Eight Bags.
Matts	Eleven hund^{d}.
Powder	One Barrel

FORT ST. GEORGE
OCTOBER THE 2^{D}. 1728. W MONTGOMERY.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}. PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR. — MONDAY THE 14TH.
JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.
M^{R}. SYMONDS *indisposed.*

Resolved that the Marlborough (having now got in what Salt and Stores She can take aboard) be dispatched to morrow morning for Fort Marlborough.

The Gentlemen there being in Want of hands and having recommended one William Coles to us, AGREED that he be entertain'd a Writer there.

The Committee appointed to inspect the Accounts from that place deliver in their Report which is read and ORDER'D to be entered after this Consultation and a Copy thereof to be sent over by this Ship.

The Storekeeper requesting an advance of five hundred pagodas 500 for purchase of Wax, paying for gun powder made and Stores purchased &c^{t}. ORDER'D that it be advanced him.

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Journal parcels for the month of August produced and read.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

N^{o}. 71 and 72 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 7th. and 9th. Ins^{t}. the first inclosing Invoice and bill of Lading for bales on the Ramah the other advis^{s}. the receipt of the money last sent them overland and the Several particulars for the use of their Settlement by Sea.

N^{o}. 73 from the Chief and Factors at Anjengo dated 17th. September repeating their request that Sunca Ramah may Send a Letter to the King of Travencore desiring him to desist from any further pretensions on account of the Cotton.

N^{o}. 74 from the Chief and Council at Calcutta in the absence of their President M^{r}. Deane, advising the arrival of the Heathcote and Aislabie and the Death of their late President M^{r}. Frankland the 23 August last in which came also inclosed a packet for the Honourable Court of Directors.

The President informs the Board that he hath recd two Letters from the Deputy Governour of Fort S^{t}. David advising that upon M^{r}. Dockwra's coming up to Fort S^{t}. George he had order'd M^{r}. Lauder to take upon him the Employ of under Warehousekeeper and Act under M^{r}. Croke both as Accompt^{t}. and Warehousekeeper which he had perempterily refused.

The President thereupon remarked That M^{r}. Lauder had Some time ago been order'd Second of Fort Marlborough which employ he had also positively Refused under pretence of Sickness and though the Board did then declare they Saw no Signs of it, yet as they were willing to Show as much lenety as possible to M^{r}. Lauder they only order'd him to Fort S^{t}. David for his refractoriness which it now appears he Still persists in by refusing to act in the employs appointed him. Which being Consider'd It was agreed

That a General Letter be wrote to Fort S^{t}. David directing them if M^{r}. Lauder continues to refuse to act in the employs appointed him that they do Suspend him the Companys Service.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer reads that account for last month Viz^{t}.

Choultry Customs	269	32	8
Ruby Brokeridge	41	14	36
Registring Slaves	4	24	—
P^{s}.	315	34	44

Ballance due from him three hundred and four pagodas twelve fanams and forty four Cash 304. 12. 44 which is carr'd forward.

Poncala Kistna and Com Chitty Tobacco and Beetle Farmers pay into Cash Eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams Pag^{s}. 833. 12. — for one months Rent due the 5th. Instant. Kistnah Reddee, Chanda Seacra and Chittombee Renters of Egmore, Persia Vaak and Tandore pay into Cash One thousand four hundred and fifty pagodas 1450 for one years Rent of those Farms due the 30th. June 1728.

Poncala Kistna Farmer of the Arrack & Wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five Pagodas 335 for one months Rent of that farm due the 5th. instant.

A Grant to Coja Pedrose Uscain of the Companys House near the Choultry Gate for ninty nine years agreeable to order of last Consultation was this day produced & Signed.

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The Storekeeper reports that most of the Stores recd from Fort Marlborough are quite Spoiled and useless that the Iron and Lead are short of Invoice wt. and that 6 barils of pitch mention'd in the Invoice produced here only four as by the Report enter'd hereafter a Copy of which is ORDER'D to be Sent in the packet to Bencoolen.

JAS. MACRAE.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HOÑBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT SR. GEORGE &CR. COUNCIL.

HOÑBLE SR. & SRS.

Pursuant to an order of Council dated 28th. of last month We have inspected the West Coast papers and thô we cannot find anything in their proceedings very irregular yet we find ourselves obliged to take notice of Such passages as Seem to proceed from oversight and want Some further explaining.

A Consultation ordering the dispatch of the Princes[s] Anne to Moco Moco and a Chest of Treasure to be Sent upon her without mentioning any particular Sum which Chest of Treasure was not brought to Accot. in their Cash till that Accot. for April was read the 21st. May (Page 107) thô the last Accounts for the month of February and March have been regularly read & passed likewise the Ballance carried forward without any Notice taken of the aforesaid Chest till Such time the Moco Moco Accounts of February Month arrived at Marlborough wherein that Residency Debts itself (P. 112) for Dollars 3986. 1. 14 and notwithstandg. Mr. Fortheringham in his Letter of the 13th. February read the 21st. at Marlborough acknowledges ye. receipt of a Treasure by the Princess Anne yet that Chest of Treasure was not brot. to Accot. till the April following which Shows neglect. FEBRY. THE 6, PAGE 33.

In the Same month of February they have Credited their Accot. of Cash for Dollars 16 recd for Quit Rent to make amends for which they have judiciously debted that Accot. for double that Sum in the month of March.

The Provl. Chief Acquaints the Board that he has good information of See Jibbs designing to leave the Place and embarque on Some of the Prows for Batavia upon which a Guard is put upon him. 25TH MARCH, PAGE 81.

Mr. Fotheringham at Moco Moco his Conduct blam'd as rash and indiscreet in Summoning a general Bechar without the advice and Direction of the Provl. Deputy Governour &ct. but the censure defered till the arrival of the Deputy Governour which not being taken Notice of by Mr. Morse We Suppose that the Letters wr[o]te by Capt. Goff and Mr. Samuel Green dated from Moco Moco the 30th. April and read 14th. May Sufficiently clear'd up ye. Affair. 20TH APRIL, PAGE 90.

We are Surprized to find in Consultation of 14th. May Page 102 the Gentlemen at Fort Marlborough contended wth. Mr. Fotheringhams excuse for not paying into the Companys Cash Dollrs. 312. 1. 45 according to the order of this Board for a Deficiency in his Pepper and at the Same time giving him one years time for the doing it; Such delays are not for our Honourable Masters Interest and we think Mr. Morse much in the right in cancelling the Said Bond for the year and obliging Mr. Fotheringham by order of Council the 24th. July to pay the Same within three months, and we doubt not but He will keep him punctually to the Time.

We observe the Chief proposed to buy one of the Companys Slaves at the price he stood upon the Companys Books, and that all had agreed to permitt him So to do except Mr. Gollop we think Mr. Gollops reasons Good and that much more might have been urged for his Dissent; Since by permittg. Such practices the Compy. are 27TH MAY, PAGE 114.

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excluded from the benefit of the Improvement their Slaves make under their Service, whereby a Boy of 30 Dollars may in time be worth 80 Dollars. It is not reasonable therefore to Sell that Slave for the price he Stands on the Books.

We observe the Bricklayer represents a great loss of Bricks for want of a Kiln to burn them, every One knows that after the Workmen have prepar'd the Brick's for Burning they Should be immediately burnt, or the Rains and other accidents Soon distroy the proffit of the Labour informing the Clay, and it is hoped a proper Kiln will be always duely prepar'd.

22ND JUNE, PAGE 123. The Bugguesses having complain'd of an irregular Sale of the Deceased Dattoo Bugguess, the Same was declared void, It is the Companys Interest to keep the Bugguesses in temper, and to convince every one of the equity of the Sales of Deceased Effects whether of Europeans or others.

Do. Do. There appears a prodigious deficiency in the Cargo of Pepper Sent from Moco

	℔	q.	lb.
124 Moco to Fort Marlborough of the Compys. Boat no less than	6.	3.	26

and though a letter was order'd to demand of Mr. Fotheringham the Reasons for Such defect we cannot find a Satisfactory or even any Answer of Such Query.

PAGE 126. It cannot be agreeable to our Honble. Masters to See my deficiency in their Treasure althô upon the Second weighs. off it does not appear So much, The Gentlemen ought to be advised of the Companys orders for the obliging the Captains to pay for the Deficiency of their Bills of Lading whether of Treasure, Iron or otherwise whatsoever before the Bills of Lading are deliver'd up.

It cannot pass unobserv'd in every Months accot. the great Charge placed to the Accot. Boats and the Small Sums brought to the Credit of that Accot. The newly fitting some maks. others with the frequent accidts. that may attend them, may run up the expence of that head, Nevertheless it cannot be too Strenuously recommend[ed] to the Supravizor &cs. to enquire Strictly into the Cost and Charges of the Boats; as we expect their general Books ℔ James and Mary we defer our Small thoughts till we can make a general View of all that has been done, therein.

It is our Honourable Masters pleasure that all Sums mention'd in the Consultations be express'd in Figures as well as in Words at length to prevent mistakes which has been neglected there.

JULY THE 8. It is our masters orders that their Servants do every year look over the Companys Stores, Utensills &cs. and Return them that are by use or time render'd useless, and we are pleas'd to observe the Supervisor Sett about this Work So Soon as he arrived at Bencoolen, and after that at Moco Moco.

We have perus'd what papers and accounts are Sent relats. to the Estate of Messrs. Carnegie and Tempest deceased and hope every thing is executed with dispatch care and Fidility.

JULY 13TH. Mr. Fotheringham advises that he is inform'd of Sixty or Seventy Bahar of Pepper lying ready at Ippue. It's great pity there are not Boats Sufficient for bringing it away that the Owners & planters may be discharged and at Leisure to go look after the Vines in the Country which must otherwise make them uneasie and the Company Sufferers.

The late troubles in the Kingdom of Anack Songey, The death of Sultan Fochhaderoo Allah with the Succession of Rajah Gondom to those Dominions are matters of the greatest Importance to the Companys Affairs and Require a great deal of address in the Management especially at a Juncture that Affords an Opportunity of Obtaining Several priviledges for the Company and putting their Affairs in that Kingdom upon Such a footing as may hereafter produce Several advantages.

It's a good hearing that notwithstanding Such a Revolution The Kingdom Continues in peace and that the Country people have not deserted the Pepper plantations and it is to be hoped that Mr. Gollop will so behave at Moco Moco that a lasting peace may be Settled in that Country. The Instructions given him in Relation

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to the Nomination of a Successor are Certainly grounded upon good pollicy and as Rajah Gondom will Certainly have the Greatest influence in the Election it will not be prudent to Seem to Thwart him in it least he Shou'd think himself disengaged from all the Ties and obligations he now lies undr. to the Company yet at ye. Same time Considering the Levity of those people it wou'd be necessary that Such measures Shou'd be observ'd with the old Sultans Son that it might appear as if he was not laid aside by the management of the Supravisor but the ill humour of ye. People.

There is no Occasion to frame an Excuse for not delivering up the Sultans Wife and Son to Rajah Gondom Shou'd he demand them, Humanity and the Custom of all Nations teach the Contrary and the expedient the Supravisor has thought of Sendg. them hither upon the James and Mary will at present disipate Rajah Gondoms fears and be a Check upon him for the future Since it will be allways in the Power of this Board Should ever Rajah Gondom prove troublesome to raise and Support a Person who has a Title to the Crown and who by good Treatment may be Sent back with Such Sentiments as may for ever. bind him to be true and faithfull to the Company.

JULY THE 17.

We observe the List of Debts due to the Company enter'd after Consultation amounting to Dollrs. 18722 : 1 : 28 which is a great deal of Money. We cant apprehend why Some persons in the List now residing there are Suffer'd to Continue in the Companys Debt but what attracts our Eyes is the debt of See Jibb Chinaman Vizt. Dollars 16494 : 3 : 62 yet we find him advanced every month as much and more than he brings in for payment nay we can't find he has brought in more than two parcells of Arrack from November 1727 to June 1728 Vizt. in February to the Amount of Dollars 107 : 3 : 90 in the Eight Months and in March last as we before observed the Fellow wanted to gett off ye. Shore had not timely care been taken to prevent him.

After the Same Consultation a list of debts due from the Company to the Estate of deceas'd Persons and others We presume Such ballances as belong to persons as are here or have Attorneys here might be remitted hither in order for an Advertisemt. to make good their Claims We refer your Honour &ct. to the List for your further Consideration the Amount is Dollors 9761 : 2 : 96.

We observe Several gratuitys have been paid the Country People; and Several partys of Slaves &ca. have been Sent to Garble and work upon the Pepper at distant places and that Such Charges are brought to Several Heads in the Books which Conceal the true amount of ye. Cost and Charges of Such parcells of Pepper and therefore for the future we presume Such Charges may be more properly Enter'd to Accot. Pepper.

Your Honour &ct. will please to observe what the Gentlemen write concerning the Arabs who are so usefull as also relating to the Sendg. over some Coffrees to wch. we beg leave to refer you. We are

Hon^ble. Sr. & Srs.
Your most Obedt. Servts.
ROBERTS SYMONDS &c r

FORT Sr. GEORGE
14TH. OCTOBER 1728.

TO THE HOÑBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &cA. COUNCIL OF FORT Sr. GEORGE.

HOÑBLE Sr. & Srs

In receivg. the Stores from Bencoolen ℔ Ship Marlborough I find every thing old and useles except 1104 Iron Short pick'd of 1354 the number Sent us, Iron wanting in wt. qr. 1 lb. 15 and Lead qr. 3 lb. 14 this Latter article, is fit for no manner of use, Pitch likewise is wanting 2 Barrells out of 6. I am

FORT Sr. GEORGE
OCTOBER THE 14TH. 1728.

Hoñble Sr. & Srs.
Your most Obedt. Servt.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.

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At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 21st.

James Macrae Esqr. Governour President.
John Roach.
Randall Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

The President reads the Mint Account Current for the month of September ballance due from him Sixty one Thousand two hundred and twenty Rupees Six Anas 61220·6 which are carried to next months account and one hundred twenty Seven pagodas twenty nine fanams and fifty Cash 127. 29·50 which is now paid in.

John Roach paymaster reads that Account for the month of September Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Ps. 1370	5	40
Charges Hospital	47	9	—
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Extraordinary	28	31	—
Charges General	422	12	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
New Pouder house	66	11	55
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Fort Marlborough	39	—	—
Repairs of Fortifications	61	7	60
Pags.	2710	4	75

ballance due to him and now paid two hundred and Ten pagodas four fans. and Seventy five Cash 210. 4. 75.

The Extraordinary expence in this account arises as hereunder Vizt.

Charges Extraordinary.						
Diet to 1 Prisoner as ℔ Marshal's Note ..	1	—	—			
Paid 18 Soldiers arriv'd by the Francis 12 fans. each	6	—	—			
Pd. the Surgeons of the Francis Head money for 18 Soldrs.	20	—	—			
a Bottle of Rose Water given to a Moorman.	1	4	40			
Rattans two Bundles deliverd ye. Marshal ..	—	11	40			
Boat hire fetching the Franceses Soldiers ashore	—	15	—			
				28	31	—
New Pouder house.						
Workmen employ'd in the building ..	12	8	60			
Materials	54	2	75			
				66	11	55
Bombay Presidency.						
Allowance money to the Widow Burton & her Children				25	—	—
Fort Marlborough.						
Advanced 3 Months pay to Lieut. Nathl. Ross				39	—	—
Pags.				159	6	55

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that account for last month Vizt.

Custom on goods imported	Ps. 1262	16	56
Ditto on Grain	73	35	4
Anchorage	149	18	—
Pags.	1485	33	60

ballance due from him four Thousand five hundred thirty four pagodas Six fanams and Sixty six Cash 4534. 6. 66 of which he now pays in two Thousand 2000 pagodas.

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Major Roach for Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash four Thousand 4000 pagodas for Madeira Wine and Broad Cloth Sold.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash three hundred and four pagodas twelve fanams and forty four Cash 304. 12. 44 ballance of his last month's account.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper reads that Acco^{t}. for September ballance due from him twelve hundred ninety two pagodas twenty fanams and fifty four Cash 1292. 20. 54 w^{ch}. is Carried to next month's Acco^{t}.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

N^{o}. 75 from M^{r}. Sanderson at Ingeram dated 2^{d}. Instant inclosing his accounts for the two last months.

N^{o}. 76 from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 19th. Instant accompanying their last years books and advising of the Suspension of M^{r}. Lauder in compliance with the orders Sent them from hence.

Not having as yet disposed of any Quantity of the Companys Madeira, at the price we have fixed AGREED to write to Bengal to know whether they can take off any quantity and at what rate.

The President telling the Board M^{r}. Saunderson proposed to Send his vessel out early in December with Some Bales in hopes of her Returning to make a Second trip in January it was Agreed to write him to keep her till the end of Dec^{r}. or beginning of January to bring all up at once only observ^{g}. to lett her come away from Ingeram time enough to be here for the Ships which will be dispatch'd the middle of January for Europe because there is little probability the vessell Shou'd be able to make two trips in time and his Cloth being Ready whiten'd we Shall not be disappointed of it for the Europe Ships tho: it does not arrive till they are near their departure.

JA^{S}. MACARE.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT. — MONDAY THE 28TH.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

M^{r}. Brickstone having been permitted to go to Bengal for the recovery of his health, and M^{r}. English the late Sub Accounta^{t}. offering to take that employ upon him again untill M^{r}. Brackston's return and yet officiate in his Employ at the Sea gate AGREED y^{t}. he be Sub accomptant till that time.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper reads that Acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him fifty two pagodas two fan^{s}. and Six Cash 52. 2. 6 which is carried to next months Acco^{t}.

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Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper reads that account for last month ballance due from him three Thousand Seven hundred Sixty two pagodas twenty fanams and thirty Six Cash 3762. 20. 36 which is carried to next months acco^{t}.

The Paymaster delivers to the Board an Account particulars of the Charges of rebuilding the Metta Bridge, repairing Triplicane Bridge, Paving the Streets & repairing the Townhall which is enter'd after this Consultation.

Charges Rebuilding the Metta Bridge	P^{s}. 232	27	20
Repairing Triplicane Bridge	143	19	55
Paving the Streets	174	33	—
Repairing the Townhall	250	1	—
P^{s}.	801	8	75
Old arrears due from the Corporation for making wells and drains &c^{t}. in the white Town now p^{d}.	87	21	60
	888	30	55

Ballance due on this Account and order'd to be discharged out of the Town Conicoplys Duty Eighty eight pagodas thirty fan^{s}. and fifty five Cash 88. 30. 55.

He also represents that the Prisons are all in want of repair and that the Town hall must be now Cover'd for which he has not yet had any orders but which are both absolutely necessary wherefore it is

ORDER'D that the Remains lying in Cash on the Credit of the Account of the Town Conicoplys duty be paid to him for the above purposes.

Charles Peers Rental General pays into Cash one Thousand pagodas 1000 for Quit rents received by him.

Nundallel and Gopaldause Farmers of the Measuring duty pay into Cash two hundred and Seventy three pagodas twelve fanams 273. 12. for four months rent of that farm due the twentieth instant and is the last payment on Acco^{t}. that Cowle which expired that day.

General Letter N°. 77 from Prov^{l}. Chief & Council of Vizagapatam dated 19th. Ultimo read Chiefly to advise that their peons were Stop'd on the road near Maslipatam that had been dispach'd the former month with their General Books but that near them the Country is in peace.

AGREED that George Torriano be appointed Coroner of this City of Madraspatnam.

The Measuring Cowle being expired the 20th. of this month the President told the Board that he had talked with Several people about it and had engaged Kistna Chittee and Com Chittee to take it for Five Years at eight hundred and fifty 850 pagodas ℔ Annum payable as the former Cowle at Six equal payments and had further engaged them und^{r}. Contract to Take the Brokerage Cowle at the Same terms as it now let to Commence at the expiration of the present Cowle and to end at the Same time with the measuring Cowle which he had done being assured that the present Broker loses money annually by that farm occasioned by the failure of the trade which the Patan Merchants formerly drove here.

Which terms being judged very advantagious it was ORDER'D that a Cowle be drawn out accordingly for the measuring farm.

JA^{s}. MACRAE.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
[*Lacuna*].
RANDALL FOWKE.
SL^{L}. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1728*——

ACCOUNT CHARGES OF REBUILDING THE METTA BRIDGE ON THE ISLAND REPAIR^{G}. TRIPLICANE BRIDGE, PAVING THE STREETS AND REPAIRING THE TOWN HALL VIZ^{T}.

REBUILDING THE METTA BRIDGE—

142 Carpenters Pag^{s}. 5. 1. 20, 259 Bricklayers Pa. 9. 21. 20; 531 Cooleys Pa. 11. 24. 60; 1085 Boys Pa. 15. 2. 40; 55 Smiths Pa. 1. 32. 60; 50 Hammer Men Pa. 1. 14. 51; Bellows Boys fan^{s}. 25. 40, Husk fanams 12. 60	Ps. 45 26 60		
Cooleys for making 18 Wells Ps. 2. 22, 108 Earthen hoops for D^{o}. 2. 9		4 31 —	
Wall Bricks 41487, @ 1700 for 1 pagoda ..		21 14 40	
Terras D^{o}. 1470, @ 2500 D^{o}. ..		— 21 15	
Stone Chunam 558½ Parra, 14 Parra ℔ 1 pagoda.		39 32 10	
Shell Ditto 33¼, D^{o}. @ 18 D^{o}.		1 30 40	
Jaggary 9 Maund, @ 8½ Pagodas ℔ Candy ..		3 29 60	
Gram, Curry Coys, &c^{a}. Chunam Mixture ..		— 22 40	
Fresh water Pa. 1. 9. Good Sand Pag^{s}. 1. 9.		2 18 —	
6 large Timbers @ 8 pagodas		48 — —	
20 Prone Planks, @ 1½ Pa.		30 — —	
Iron 250 lb. @ Pagodas 2. 9. ℔ Cwt. ..		10 16 5	
Sea Coal 25 Bushels		3 4 40	
Country wood 29 fanams Sawing 15 fan^{s}. ..		1 — —	
Tarr ¾ of a Barrel		3 — —	
Iron Stone 650 feet, @ 80 f^{t}. for a pagoda ..		8 9 —	
12 blue Stone Dogs		2 27 —	
Carrying Timbers, Plank, Iron Stone &c^{t}. ..		1 24 30	
			232 27 20

REPAIR^{G}. TRIPLICANE BRIDGE—

160 Carpenters Pag^{s}. 5. 29. 20, 254 Bricklayers Pa. 9. 22. 40, 360 Cooleys Pa. 7. 18, 2010 Boys Pa. 27. 33	50 30 60		
Wall Bricks 23460 @ 1700 for 1 pagoda ..	13 28 65		
Stone Chunam 218¼ Parra, & 14 Parra for 1 pagoda	15 21 20		
Jaggary 6½ Maund, @ 8½ Pa. ℔ Candy ..	2 27 40		
Gram, Curry Coys &c^{a}. Chunam mixture ..	1 5 20		
Iron Stone 168 feet	2 3 50		
24 Prone Planks, @ 1—18 pag^{s}.	36 — —		
8 Timbers @ 2 pagodas	16 — —		
Saw^{s}. Rails and Posts	2 10 40		
Tarr ¾ of a Barrel	3 — —		
			143 19 55

PAVING THE STREETS—

241 Bricklayers Ps. 8. 13. 20; 92 Cooleys Ps. 1. 33. ; 559 Boys 7. 27. 40. 4 Smiths 5 fan^{s}. 3 Hammer Men 3 fanams, 3 Bellows boys fa^{s}. 1—40, Husk 60 c. ..	18 12 —		
Stone Chunam 21 Parra & 14 Parra for 1 pagoda	1 18 —		
Jaggery 18¾ lb. @ 8½ Ps. ℔ Candy	— 11 40		
Sand and Clay 86½ Boats @ 3 fan^{s}. ℔ Boat ..	7 7 40		
Paving Bricks 103163, @ 700 for 1 pagoda ..	147 13 40		
Posts, Ropes, &c^{a}.	— 6 40		
			174 33 —

REPAIRING THE TOWN HALL—

161 Carpenters Ps. 5. 35. 10, 266 Bricklayers Ps. 9. 27. 60, 74 Cooleys Ps. 1. 19. 40, 390 Boys Ps. 5. 15. 4. Stone Cutters 6 fan^{s}., 10 Smiths fa^{s}. 12. 40 Husk F. C. 2: 20.	23 20 50		
Wall Bricks 4785 @ 1700 for 1 pagoda ..	2 29 25		

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Paving Bricks 1380, @ 700 for 1 pagoda ..	1 35 —		
Stone Chunam 347 Parra @ 14 Parra for 1 pagoda	24 28 20		
Trevitore Shell Chunam 17 Parra @ 2 fans. ℔ Parra	— 34 —		
Chapauk Ditto 24¼ Ditto @ 1½ fans. Ditto ..	1 — 30		
m lb.			
Jaggary 7 18¾ @ 8½ pagodas ℔ Candy ..	3 10 50		
Curry Coy, Jute, &c^a. Chunam Mixture ..	1 31 —		
Fresh Water 1 Pa., Sand and Clay Pa. 2. 27.	3 27 —		
1000 foot of Iron Stone, @ 80 foot for 1 pagoda	12 18 —		
Prone Planks 95, @ 1½ Pa.	142 18 —		
1 Large Timber	8 12 —		
Iron 43 lb.	— 31 5		
⊕ qr. lb.			
Nails 1 — 12	6 9 —		
Tarr 1 Barrel	4 — —		
Wax 2 fans. Glew 1 fan: Twine 1 fa: Rope 4 fans. Pots 3 fans. Rattans fas. 4. 40. — ..	— 15 40		
Sawing 2568 foot, @ fas. 3: 60 for 24 feet ..	11 5 20		
		250 1 —	
	Pag^s.	801 8 75	

PAYMASTERS ACCOUNT CURR^T. DR. PER CONTRA CR.

To Cash Rec^d. the Honourable James Macrae Esq^r. in Consultation ..	Ps. 800 — —	By rebuilding the Metta bridge	Ps. 232 27 20		
To Ballance	88 30 55	By repairing Triplicane bridge	143 19 55		
		By Paving the Streets.	174 33 —		
	P. 888 30 55	By Repairing the Town hall	250 1 —		
				801 8 75	
		By M^r. Newcome for making wells and Drains last year in the White Town, Paving &c^a. the whole Amounting to Pagodas 187. 21. 60 of which he Rec^d. 100 Ps. in part, and there remains now due to him		87 21 60	
			Pag^s.	888 30 55	

FORT S^T. GEORGE E.E.

THE 28^TH. OCTOBER 1728. ℔ JOHN ROACH

Paymaster.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1728——

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE Esq^r^. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT. MONDAY 4TH.
ROBERT SYMONDS.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
CHARLES PEERS.

The President reads the Account of the Honourable Companys Cash for last month, ballance Remaining one hundred forty three Thousand eight hundred and fourteen pagodas thirteen fanams and five Cash 143814. 13. 5 which is carried to next months Acco^t^.

The Accountant reads the Journal parcels for the month of September.

The Warehousekeeper presents the Merchants Account of Callicoes deliver'd into the Warehouse the last month ballance due to them and now order'd to be paid twenty three thousand Six hundred thirty five pagodas twelve fanams and twenty one Cash 23635. 12. 21 as by the Account enter'd after Consultation.

ORDER'D that two Thousand five hundred pagodas 2500 be advanced the Paymaster for the Expences of the running month.

Robert Symonds import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash fourteen Thousand 14000 pagodas on Account Broad Cloth Sold the Merchants.

The Cowle for the measuring farm let to Naire Kistnama Chitty and Com Chitty on the terms and agreement Contain'd in the last Consultation was this day produced and Signed.

The President informed the Board that having for a long time past had complaints from the Right and left hand Casts relating to a pagoda built by the left hand Cast which incroached on the ground belonging to the Right hand Cast which therefore had occasion'd many Disturbances and quarrels between them, He had at last prevailed on both Sides to come to an Agreement which is now produced & read and ORDER'D to be enter'd after this Consultation Signed by the Chief of each Cast and for the greater Sanction thereto the originals were witness'd at the board and deliver'd to the Respective Casts.

There being at present a very great Scarcity of Grain for want of the Rains which usually fall at this Season of the year and the dread of an approaching famine insomuch that no Supplies are brought into the place It was proposed by the President and unanimously agreed to by the board That all persons during this month of November be permitted to import Grain Custom free provided they do not bring more than Nine fanams worth at one time of which It is ORDER'D that publick notice be immediately given by beating the Tomtom.

JA^s^. MACRAE.
ROB^t^. SYMONDS.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^LL^: HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

SUNCAH RAMAH & TOMBY CHITTEE

Dr.

1728

October 31st. To Custom 5 ℔ Cent on Goods brought in by them this Month 532 29 7

To Moortee and Washers 9 34 68

To Ballance 23635 12 21

Pags. 24178 4 16

Cr.

October 31st. By Goods recd. of them this Month Vizt.

Long Cloth Ordry. white 72 Covids Long & 2¼ brod.

No. 1	32 qt.	48	@ pagodas	31 18	℔ Cose.	1512 — —	
2	75	112·10	@	30 9	℔ Do	3403 4 40	
3	61	91·10	@	29 —	℔ Do.	2653 18 —	
	168	252					7568 22 40

Long Cloth Worriapollum wt. 72 Covids Long 2¼ brod.

No. 1	2 qt.	3	@ pags.	33 48	℔ Corge	100 18 —	
2	11	16·10	@	32 9	℔ Do.	532 4 40	
3	6	9	@	31 —	℔ Do.	279 — —	
	19	28·10					911 22 40

Long Cloth Nagore wt. 72 Covids Long & 2¼ broad

No. 1	4 qt.	6· 0	@ pags.	34 —	℔ Corge..	204 — —	
2	1	1·10	@	32. 27	℔ Do. ..	49 4 40	
	5	7·10					253 4 40

Long Cloth Midling wt. 72 Covids Long & 2¼ broad

No. 2	9 qt.	13·10	@ 36	℔ Corge..	..	486 — —	
9	18	27·0	@ 34	℔ Do. ..	..	918 — —	
	27	40·10					1404 — —

Long Cloth Fine wt. 72 Covds. Long & 2¼ broad

No. 1	3 qt.	6	@ pags.	60	℔ Corge	.. 360 — —	
2	17	34	@	55	℔ Do.	.. 1870 — —	
3	13	26	@	50	℔ Do.	.. 1300 — —	
	33	66					3530 — —

Sallampores Ordinary wt. 32 Covds, Long 2⅛ brod.

No. 3	1 qt.	4	@ pags.	12: 18	℔ Corge	..	50 — —

Sallampores Midling wt. 32 Covids Long 2⅛ bd.

No. 2	2 qt.	8	@ pags.	16. 10	℔ Corge	.. 130 8 —	
3	3	12	@	15: 2	℔ Do.	.. 180 24 —	
	5	20					310 32 —

N.B.

Cash advanc'd them 30000 — —

Sallampores Fine w^{t}. 32 Cov^{s}. Long & 2$\frac{1}{4}$ broad											
N°. 1	1 q^{t}.	5 @	pag^{s}. 29	℔ Corge	..	145	—	—			
2	9	45 @	27	℔ D°.	..	1215	—	—			
3	6	30 @	25	℔ D°.	..	750	—	—			
	16	80							2110	—	—
						Y	I	Y	I		
Moorees ordinary w^{t}. 10 Y^{ds}. Long & from 1 : 6$\frac{1}{2}$ b^{d}. 101 : 8											
N°. 1	5 q^{t}.	40 @	pag^{s}. 19	— ℔ Corge.		760	—	—			
2	6	48 @	[17]	[18] ℔ D°.		840	—	—			
3	1	8 @	[16]	℔ D°.		128	—	—			
	12	96							1728	—	—
Ginghams 16 Covids [Long cloth] broad											
N°. 1	2 q^{t}.	12 : 10 @	[pa.]	℔ Corge	..	300	—	—			
2	1	6 : 5 @	[..]	℔ Ditto	..	137	18	—			
	3	18	15						437	18	—
Beteelas of 40 Covids [Long ... broad]											
N°. 25	13 q^{t}.	65 @	pag^{s}. 31 : 9	℔ Corge		2031	9	—			
Beteelas of 50 Covids Long and 2 broad											
N°. 29	7 q^{t}.	28 @	pag^{s}. 41	9 ℔ Corge	..	1155	—	—			
28	13	52 @	39	9 ℔ D°.	..	2041	—	—			
									3196	—	—
									23531	—	40
								Bales amounting to			
By Custom 2$\frac{3}{4}$ ℔ Ct. on 322 Bales amounting to P^{s}: 29531 — 40						..	..	..	[647]	3	56
								P^{s}.	24178	4	16

N.B.

J. Rob^{t}. Symonds,
Warehousekeeper.

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KNOW ALL MEN by these presents, That we the Right and Left hand Casts, do hereby Reciprocally Covenant and agree That Whereas the Latter having built a pagoda named Catchaliswar in a Garden formerly belonging to Collaway Chitty and Advancing y^e^. Build^g^. as far as Durma Seva Saur Dilalcawn Street, in the Mootaal Petta, the Right hand Cast Complain'd thereof to the Honourable James Macre Esq^r^. President and Governour of Fort S^t^. George And we the Left hand Cast were forbid the use of Said pagoda. Therefore by the Mutual Consent of each other, The Right and Lefthand Casts do hereby Covenant and Agree for our Selves & Successors for ever that the Right Hand Cast have free Liberty to Celebrate their Processions the Second day of the feast by Nayra Baal Chitty &c^t^. and that the Left hand Cast have the same Liberty in their manner to Celebrate the Remaining days of Said Festival Upon Which Conditions We the Right hand Cast do hereby agree that the Left hand Cast may purchase and buy Two Conicoplies Houses Opposite to the Pagoda Gate, that by pulling them down a passage or Communication may be made betwixt the pagoda and their Street that thereby the Left hand Cast may have the Conveniency of Celebrating their Processions in both their Streets Adjacent And We do likewise agree that we the Left hand Cast do Celebrate our Processions in Said Street no farther then Durma Seva Sharum Mattim near the Cross Street to the South, And to the Extent of Moota Marr's The Master Carpenters Garden to the North and Both Casts do hereby Consent, and Agree that the Right Hand do Enjoy a free and undesturb'd Liberty to Marry &c^t^. as formerly and for the better Observance to Each other the Contents of this our Agreement, We do hereby Consent and ordain that The Party failing in the performance of this our Mutual and Voluntary Act or any part thereof, do pay as a penalty To the Honourable Company the Sum of twelve Thousand pagodas and to Confirm this our Act and Deed We Nominate and appoint the Several Middle Casts as Witnesses thereto Viz^t^: Compaly [Vencana], Mint Timarsay, Visvambarria Son of Gongaram and [Ameraaze] Tawker, Gooda Anconah, Conogoory Pettenaige, [Coja Petrus] and Coja Sarkees, Assen Cawn & Mahomud Ameen who have the free use and Liberty to Celebrate Their Festivals and Marriages as formerly

In Witness whereof We have hereunto Mutually Sett our hands & Seals in Fort S^t^. George this 28^th^. Day of October 1728.

	LEFT HAND.	RIGHT HAND.
Sign'd Seal'd & deliver'd in the presence of us y^e^. MIDDLE CASTS.	Tomby Chitty	Nayra Baal Chitty.
	Tagapa Chitty	Sulla Muda.
Compaly Vencana ..	Ramadgallie	Sunca Muda Rama.
	Mudu Lingam	
Mint Timerasyah ..	Devaroy Chitty	Poncala Kistna.
Vissumburry Son of Gongaram.	Ranga Marr Tomby Chitty ..	Sura Vencata Kistna.
Amerassataukawah ..	Tagapa Carpenter	Meyla Somodree.
Gooda Ancona	Naga Buttellu	Trimine China Tomby.
Coonagoory peddanaigue.	Tomby Chitty	Numbra Mallu.
	Nella Verepa Chittee ..	Putta Rangie.
Mahommud Ameen ..	Collapa Chitty	Jundra Chintalu.
Hossawn Cawn	Nina Chitty	Venckatassia.
Coja Petruse	Tripasoor Marr Chitty ..	....
Coja Sarkis	Paluir Nina Chitty	....
	Subra Mani Chitty	....
	Veloor Anmagon Chitty ..	....
In testimonio Veritatis ..	Bully Gulla Sidaya	....
James Macrae	Chumbady Addia	....
Robert Symonds ..	Sadagenadu	....
John Roach	....	....
Randal Fowke	....	....
Samuel Hyde	....	....
Augustus Burton ..	....	....
Charles Peers	....	....

GEO. TORRIANO
Secry.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1728*——

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE Esq^r^. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT. MONDAY
ROBERT SYMONDS. Y^E^. 18^TH^.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

The President reads the Mint Account for last Month ballance ramaining thirty six Thousand three hundred Sixty Three rupees nine anas 36363. 9. – which are carried to next month's Account and ninety Seven pagodas two fanams and Sixty five Cash 97. 2. 65 which are paid into Cash.

Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper reads that Acco^t^. for last month ballance due to him One hundred Sixty one pagodas twelve fanams and forty Six Cash 161. 12. 46 which is carried to next months Account.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last month ballance due from him three thousand nine hundred twenty two pagodas twenty Seven fanams and five cash 3922. 27. 5 of which he now pays two thousand 2000 Pagodas.

Samuel Hyde for John Roach Paymaster reads that account for last month Viz^t^.

Charges Garrison	1391	26	40
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	42	17	—
Charges Extraordinary	19	4	40
Charges General	394	25	50
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Sorting Godown Screws	11	14	—
Repairs of Fortifications	78	16	35
	2612	32	5

ballance due to him and now order'd to be paid one hundred and twelve pagodas thirty two fanams and five Cash 112. 32. 5.

The Extraordinary Expence of this account consists in the following particulars Viz^t^.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.

Diet to 1 Prisoner, as ℔ Marshals Note	Pag^s^	1	—	—		
Christening a Soldiers Child		1	—	—		
A Tortoise Shell half Pike presented to the Nabob of Vellore		4	—	—		
Six Bottles of Rose water Pag^s^. 2. 31. 40 and a Glass 9 fanams presented to Caudero Hussane		3	4	40		
M^r^. Dockwra's Travelling Charges from Fort St^t^. David		10	—	—		
					19	4 40

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.

Allowance Money to the Widow Burton & her Children					25	— —

SORTING GODOWN SCREWS.

Workmen &c^t^. employ'd in making them		2	32	—		
Materials		8	18	—		
					11	14 —
				P^s^.	55	18 0

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Randal Fowke Sea Customer reads that Account for the last Month Viz^{t}.

Custom on Goods Imported	P^{s}.	1028	4 32
Ditto on Grain		60	27 20
		1082	31 52

ballance due from him three thousand five hundred ninety one pagodas three fanams and thirty eight. Cash 3591. 3. 38 of which he now pays one thousand 1000 pagodas.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer reads that acco^{t}. for last Month Viz^{t}.

Choultry Customs	P^{s}.	296	32 78
Ruby Brokeridge		47	3 57
Registring Slaves		7	4 —
		351	4 55

ballance due from him three hundred thirty nine pagodas eighteen fanams and fifty five Cash 339. 18. 55 which is carried to next month's account.

Charles Peers Rental General & Scavinger Pays into Cash one thousand two hundred Sixty one pagodas 1261. —. — on the following Account Viz^{t}.

One years rent of the Companys old garden due y^{e}. 15th. October	P^{s}.	351	— —
Six month's Butteca rent and Shroff duty due the 1st. September		160	— —
Account Quit Rents		550	— —
Account Scavingers duty		200	— —
	P^{s}.	1261	— —

The Secretary pays into Cash forty eight pagodas for 2 Years Rent of a Garden let to Antonha Cavallo due y^{e}. 19th. August 1727.

Also four pagodas 4 for so much levied on two Black Merchants who were Summon'd to appear on a jury for the Tryal of Coopah for a robbery who did not appear and were therefore fined two pag^{s}. 2 each.

He also pays in ten pagodas 10. —. — for a fine on two Shroffs for receiving and purchasing of Stolen goods.

Poncala Kistna and Com Chitty Tobacco and Bettle farmers pay into Cash Eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams 833. 12. — for one months Rent of that farm due y^{e}. 5th. Instant.

Poncala Kistna farmer of the Arrack and Wine Licence pays into Cash three hundred thirty five 335. —. — pagodas for one months Rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer reports that he has made a Seizure of Some Turbands and Sashes which are order'd to be Sold and the produce divided as usual.

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General Letter N°. 78 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 6th. Instant read inclos^{s}. their Cash Account for the last Month.

JA^{s}. MACRAE.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG. BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.	GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.	MONDAY 25.
ROBERT SYMONDS.	JOHN ROACH.	
RANDAL FOWKE.	SAMUEL HYDE.	
AUGUSTUS BURTON.	CHARLES PEERS.	

The President inform'd the Board that the watching peons had Seiz'd and brought to him two parcels of Silver that were carrying out of the Bounds contrary to the orders of this Board w^{ch}. he now produced the whole weighing twenty Seven Pounds five ounces nine penny weight £. 27. o. 5. d^{t}. 9 Standard which at fourteen and a half Dollars for ten pagodas weight the present price of Silver Amounts to two hundred fifty Seven pagodas thirty four fanams and forty Cash 257. 34. 40 the one half whereof is now paid into Cash, and the other order'd to be distributed between the Informers and Seizers of it.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash two thousand 2000 Pagodas on account of Broad Cloth Sold.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper reads that Account for last Month ballance due from him one hundred forty four pagodas twenty Seven fanams and eight Cash 144. 27. 8 which is carried to next month's account.

The Warehousekeeper reporting to the Board that the doors of two of the Warehouses in the Sorting Godown are rotten, ORDER'D that the Paymaster do make two new ones.

General Letter N°. 79 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 24th. Instant read Relating to the Expence of their Settlement in the article of Peons and Serv^{ts}. Wages Complain'd of in the general Letter this Year from our Honourable Masters in which and a Report inclosed in y^{t}. Letter they prove that their expence under that head is in reallity twenty two pagodas ℔ Mensem less than here and that the reason why it appears to our Honourable Masters to be larger than with us is That Several articles are included in it with them which are brought to account with us under the head of Charges General.

Our Honourable Masters having also wrote us that they think our Peons may be Reduced, AGREED that Mess^{rs}. Symonds, Roach and Hyde be a Committee to inspect the particulars of them to Examine how they are Station'd & whether any of the present number may be reduced as also whether any other of the persons receiving wages of the Company may be Set aside.

JA^{s}. MACRAE.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}. HYDE.
AUG : BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1728——

At a Consultation

Present

THURSDAY 28TH.

James Macrae Esq^r. Governour President.
Robert Symonds. John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Augustus Burton. Charles Peers.

The Tobacco and Beetle Farmer complaining that Several persons have lately run into the bounds great Quantities of beetle and Tobacco to his great prejudice and praying Some Stop may be put thereto

It was Agreed that we do publish an order at the Sea gate &c^t. That whatsoever Conicoply, Dubash or other Substantial person is found to Run into the bounds Tobacco or beetle or to Encourage others to do it Shall be fined one pagoda for every fanam's worth so run and lye in prison till it be paid And that all Cooleys and other poor people, who Shall be Convicted of the like practices Shall be publickly whipped at the Choultry and Receive thirty nine Lashes and Stand one hour in the pillory.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash three hundred thirty nine pagodas eighteen fanams and fifty five Cash 339. 18. 55 ballance of his last month's Acco^t.

General Letters read Viz^t.

N°. 80 from the Prov^l. Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated 30^th. October giving an Account of the Death of one John Joules and inclosing a List of his Effects.

N°. 81 from M^r. Sanderson Resident of Ingeram dated 5^th. Instant inclosing his last Month's account.

Order'd that Copy of that part of the Vizagapat^m. letter Which Relates to the Death of John Joules be delivered to the Mayor's Court together with the list of his Effects.

Ja^s. Macrae.
Rob^t. Symonds.
J. Roach.
Randall Fowke.
S^ll. Hyde.
Aug: Burton.
Charles Peers.

At a Consultation

Present

WEDNESDAY THE 4TH. [DECEMBER].

James Macrae Esq^r. Governour President.
John Roach.
Randal Fowke. Samuel Hyde.
Charles Peers.

General Letter N°. 82 from the Prov^l. Chief & Council of Vizagapatam Dated 11^th. Nov^r. inclosing Diaries, Consultations, Cash and Paymasters Accounts and advising that the very heavy rains that have fallen are a great hindrance to their Investment.

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The Journal parcels for the month of October were produced and read.

Mr. Symonds being indisposed Sends a letter to the Board to acquaint them that the heads of the boatmen and Catamaran people have been with him to Request a further advance towards Supplying themselves with Rice in this time of Scarcity all that they had before Recd being expended about their boats.

This being Consider'd it was AGREED that he be permitted to advance them one hundred pagodas 100. —. — more and the Representation is ORDER'D to be enter'd after Consultation.

The Paymaster Requesting Money to Defray Charges Garrison and other disbursements ORDER'D that two Thousand five hundred 2500 pagodas be advanced him.

The Secretary represents that the Coverings of the desks in the office are quite worn out and that the Silk window Shutters are blown to pieces insomuch that the gentlemen can't write in the Office.

ORDER'D that the Paymaster do Repair the Same.

JAS. MACRAE.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
CHARLES PEERS.

To THE HONBLE. JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &Ct. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

The heads of the Boat Men and Cattamarans came to Me a few days Since to represent the great distress their people lay under for want of Rice and that they Shou'd not be able to prevent their deserting unless Some means were taken to Relieve them in this their distress, At the Same time requests. that one hundred and twenty pagodas more may be advanced them, what they having already Recd being entirely Spent in refitting their Old and building new Boats which I refer to your Honr. &ct. Consideration. I am

FORT ST. GEORGE
DECR. THE 4TH. 1728.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.
Your most Obedt. Servt.
ROBERT SYMONDS.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

TUESDAY THE 10TH.

The President reads the Account of the Honourable Company's Cash for last month, ballance Remaining one hund. Thirty nine Thousand three hundred and fourteen pagodas thirty one fanams and thirty Cash 139314. 31. 30 which is Carried to next month's Account.

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The Export Warehousekeeper presents the Merchant's Account of Cloth deliver'd in the month of November ballance due to them, and now paid, Five Thousand Seven hundred Sixty six pagodas ten fanams and twenty Cash 5766. 10. 20.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer, reads that Account for the month of November Viz^{t}.

Choultry Customs	P^{s}. 276	17	67
Ruby Brokerage	8	34	38
Registering Slaves	7	12	—
Pagodas	292	28	25

ball^{ce}. due from him Two Hundred eighty one pagodas Six fanams & twenty five Cash 281. 6. 25 which are carried to next month's Account.

The Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash Three Thousand 3000 pagodas, for Broad Cloth Sold the Merchants.

General Letter N°. 83 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 6th. December 1728 read Complaining of the Sottishness of their Surgeons mate and enclosing M^{r}. Whitlocks petition for leave to lay down y^{e}. Service.

AGREED that M^{r}. Whitelock's petition be granted and that the Deputy Governour and Council have leave to Dismiss their Surgeons mate from the Service.

The Garden house wanting Chunaming both inside & out and the Kitchen to be new [pavd a]nd to have Several other necessary Repairs done to it ORD['ERD that the] Paymaster do Sett about the Same.

The President informs the Board that he hath receiv'd advice that the James and Mary from Fort Marlborough is fallen to Leeward and lies at Covilon whereupon it was

AGREED, That the Paymaster do Send Peons & Cooly's to fetch the Company's Packet and that the Secretary write the Captain to deliver it to them, and to enquire whether he is in want of any Assistance.

JA^{S}. MACRAE.
ROB^{T}. SYMONDS.
[*Lacuna*].
RANDALL FOWKE.
S^{LL}: HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 16TH.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

The President reads the Mint Account Current for last month ballance remaining twenty Six Thousand three hund^{d}. Sixty three Rupees nine Anas 26363. 9. — which are carried to next month's account and thirty three pagodas Six fanams 33. 6 which he now pays in.

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Samuel Hyde for John Roach Paymaster reads that Account for last month Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	Pag^{s}. 1381	24	50
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Hospital	46	28	—
Charges extraordinary	1	16	20
Bombay Presidency	25	—	—
Charges General	408	5	65
Repairs of Fortifications	184	13	40
Charges Diet	583	12	—
	2697	16	15

ballance due to him one hundred ninty Seven pagodas Sixteen fanams and fifteen Cash 197. 16. 15 which is now paid him.

The Extraordinary expence in this Account arises as hereund^{r}. Viz^{t}.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.

	ff.	C.	Ps.	ff.	C.
Diet to 1 Prisoner 6 Days, as ℔ Marshal's Note	—	7	20		
Peons Batty and Cooley hire for the Governour's going to the Mount ..	1	9	—		
			1	16	20

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.

Allowance money to the Widow Burton and her Children	25	—	—
Ps.	26	16	20

Randal Fowke Sea Customer reads that Account for last Month, being for Custom recd on goods imported four Thousand and forty Seven pagodas twenty Seven fanams and fifty two Cash 4047. 27. 52 and the Ballance due from him is Six thousand Six hundred and Six pagodas thirty-two fanams & ten Cash 6606. 32. 10 of which he pays Six Thousand 6000 Pagodas.

Augustus Burton Storekeeper reads that Account for last Month ballance due from him two hundred and five pagodas and Sixty Seven Cash 205. —. 67 which is carried to next month's account.

General Letters read viz^{t}.

N^{o}. 84 dated 8th. October 1728 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlborough giving an Account of their Transactions Since the departure of the Marlborough from thence.

N^{o}. 85 dated 20th. October from the Resident of Moco Moco advising that he had put on board the James and Mary eight & thirty bags of pepper consign'd to this place which was all that was then ready at Moco Moco.

There was also Read a Letter design'd to Europe from the Deputy Governour and Council there to the Court of Directors giving a fuller Account of their Transactions than the Letter to this place and referred to in it.

ORDER'D that a Committee of the Council consisting of Mess^{rs}. Symonds, Fowke and Hyde do examine the West Coast Accounts, Consultations, &c. and make a Report thereof to y^{e}. Board.

Robert Symonds Import Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last Month ballance due from him five Thousand two hundred fifty Eight pagodas four fanams and Sixty one Cash 5258. 4. 61 of which he paid in the last Consultation three thousand 3000 pagodas and now pays more two thous^{d}. 2000. Pag^{s}.

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Robert Symonds Export Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last Month, ballance due from him one hundred ninety nine pagodas two fanams and fifty Cash 199. 2. 50 which are Carried to next Months Account.

Samuel Hyde Land Customer pays into Cash two hundred eighty one pagodas Six fanams and twenty five Cash 281. 6. 25 ballance of his last Month's Account.

Poncala Kistna and Com Chitty Tobacco and Beetle Farmers pay into Cash Eight hundred thirty three pagodas twelve fanams 833. 12 for last Month's Rent of that Farm due the 5th. Instant.

Poncala Kistna Farmer of the Arrack and wine License pays into Cash three hundred thirty five 335 pagodas for one Months Rent of that farm due the 5th. Instant.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J: ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRYDAY THE 20 TH. JAMES MACRAE ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
ROBERT SYMONDS. JOHN ROACH.
RANDAL FOWKE. SAMUEL HYDE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON. CHARLES PEERS.

This day in obedience to the Rules of his Majestys Charter the Council met in order for Swearing the New Mayor and the Sheriff, and the Court of Aldermen being come with the [Customary] Ceremonies from their Guildhall and presentS. [Francis] Rouse Esqr. for Mayor for the ensuing Year he took the Oaths of Allegiance and of Office.

Augustus Burton Esqr. being by the General vote of the board chosen Sheriff for the Ensuing year took also the Oath's of Allegiance and of Office.

JAS. MACRAE.
ROBT. SYMONDS.
J. ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SLL. HYDE.
AUG: BURTON.
CHARLES PEERS.

TO THE HONBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT SR. GEORGE.

HONBLE SR. & SRS.

Robert Adams Esqr. late Cheif of this place having thought fit to leave the Settlement without Complying with the demand that is made on him by the Honourable President & Councill of Bombay in behalf of our Masters, amounting to Tellicherry fanams two hundred thirty one thousand, two hundred ninety four & ten Viss,

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the particulars whereof your Honour &c., will be apprized of by the enclos'd Account Current and having notice of his Arrival under your Jurisdiction, We are directed by them the said President and Councill to make our request to Your Honour &c. for to cause him the said Robert Adams Esq^r. to make good the foregoing Sum either by paying the money into the Honourable Company's Cash or Signing the inclosed Bond.

Their Letter to your &c^a. on this Occasion comes likewise herewith, not having further to Add, We Conclude ourselves with the greatest respect.

TELLICHERRY,
JULY THE 9TH. 1728.

HOÑBLE S^R. & S^RS.
Your most Obed^t. hum. Serv^ts.

JOHN BRADDY'L.
STEPHEN LAW.
WILLIAM FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JYNSON.

TO THE HOÑBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT AND GOV^R. &C. COUNCILL OF FORT S^T. GEORGE.

HOÑBLE S^R. & S^RS.

Our Honourable Masters finding reason to be Dissatisfied with M^r. Robert Adams his management while their Chief at Tellicherry & more particularly in the great Loans he did at times make to the Sundry Governments in those parts without Sufficient Authority for his making such, have sent their repeated orders to us by their last ship to this place the Duke of Cumberland for to Charge and Recover from M^r. Adams all such Sums of money he did so lend that were not yet on in any likelyhood of being Speedely recovered as ℔ Attested copy of that part of a Paragraph in their Letter that has Respect thereto we send your Honour &c. Inclosed.

In observance to whose orders thô we fear not in that Strictness our Honourable Masters require we did draw out an Account of such Deficiencys in Loans made by M^r. Adams which we thought him justly Chargeable with all according to the orders we had received, the whole Amounting to Fanams Two hundred thirty one thousand two hundred ninety four & ten Viss or pounds Sterling Six thous^d. four hundred twenty four, Seventeen Shillings and a penny half penny, which in our orders to Tellicherry by M^r. John Bradyll sent to Succeed M^r. Adams we required him to pay or otherwise left it to his Choise to Sign bonds in penalty of double the Sume to stand to the award of the Honourable Court of Directors concerning the Same, but without his Complying with one or the other, we directed his being Detained there or sent hither, but not to be permitted in such case to go to Madrass according as he had requested of us.

NOTWITHSTANDING which that our orders in this Case were so very possitive for M^r. Adams his paying [the m]oney executing the Bonds or coming [hither,] as not so admitt of being dispenced withall, but in the totall Recovery of the Outstanding Debts, yet from Information given us we have reason to suspect M^r. Adams has been permitted to go away on the Decker bound to Madrass without performing the Conditions we required he should execute or even as we hear making a Regular Delivery of the Settlement to his Successor, which must be occasioned thro' some mistake that we are not yet apprized of or something worse in those left in trust there, the which does induce us to Dispatch express to Tellicherry by one of our Crusing Gallvett with fresh orders to the Gentlemen there that if M^r. Adams be withdrawn after such a manner they then Adress your Honour &c. and send you our Account Demands on M^r. Adams with the Bonds of Penalty which on their Doing so we are to Request Your Hon^r. &c. if M^r. Adams be within the District of your Presidency that you will please

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to cause him to make Payment of one or execute the other, or on his Absolute refusall to do either, you will please to order him to this place or detain him at Maddrass until our Honourable Masters orders shall Arrive you Concerning him. We are

Bombay Castle
May 4, 1728.

Your Loving Friends
William Phipps.
Robert Cowan.
George Percivall.
Henry Lowther.
Thos. Rammell.
Arthur Upton.

Copy of the 43d. Para. of the Honourable Company's General Letter to Bombay ℔ ship Duke of Cumberland Dated Aprill 5th. 1727.

We find you have Recovered some part of the Samorines Debt, Dont fail to press Mr. [Ada]ms to get in what is yet standing out of his and the other Mallabar Princes, and let him know we expect he shall make good all such deficiencies Arising from his Loans for which he had no Warrant from his Superiors to make or got leave by wrong Representations.

Attested to be a true Copy.

℔ Edward Page,
Secry.

Dr. Robert Adams Esqr. on account the Outstanding Debts at Callicutt & Tellicherry. Cr.

To a Loan of Fanams 67106. 5. — to the Samorine Ae. 1720 without Int. 50000, whereof was to Chastice his Subjects, as they term it, for insulting our Women & Gentlemen of the Factory when taking the Air, but as he had no authority for makg. this Loan nor was it ever approved off, from hence, he is esteemed Chargeable with it	67106	5	—	By Cash received of the Samorine & Customs deducted from ℔ Contra sume of Fans. 67106. 5. —, which by their advices is now Lessned to Fans. 46761. 8. — but there seems no reason why what sums has been Received of the Samorine should be more immediately Discounted from that Ola, in prejudice of former ones, since his whole Customs were paund to the Company for the Discharge of his Debts before the said sums was lent him, that Ola hereby runs now for no more than Fans. 46761. 8. — therefore writing the Difference to his Credit is an article wholly in his favour	20344	13	—
To a Loan of Fans. 70000 to Puniture Rajah Ae. 1718 Int. to commence the 1st. May this Sume is advis'd hither to be but 50000 and is said to be for enabling him to regain his Country Usurped by the Princes in the French Interest, the other 20000, was never advised off hither nor does any part of it appear to be approved off, from hence thereof Mr. Adams by the Companys order is properly chargeable with this Article ..	70000	—	—			
To a Loan of Fans. 42000, To Muna Bedda Queen mother at Int. Ao. 1716/17 whereof 340 0 and the Interest thereon was transferred to the Samories Accot. Ae. 1720 there does not appear any Authority for making this Debt nor was it advis'd of hither, the whole Debt, Mr. Adams is therefore chargeable, with all that part which was transferred to the Samorines Account is not Receiv'd..	42000	—	—			
To a Loan of Fans. 5500 made Durmet Ponicarry in the Year 1718 as said to keep him in our Interest he promising to get the Samorins Ola to repay it, There was no Authority from hence for making this Loan or was it ever advis'd hither, therefore he is esteemed properly chargeable with it	5500	—	—			
To the Ballance of Prince Cunny Homos Debt Fans. 73513. 2 Viz.				By Ballance	231294	10	—
In our Letter under the 14 July 1721, a Latt[itu]de was given Mr. Adams to Cement the Companys Interest with the Prince at a small expence to secure the pepper trade from the French, from which the [liberty] he lends them to the Amount of about 224000 Fans. Vizt.							

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D[r].				C[r].	
In 1721 Advised of hither & said to be 100000 but never approved of			94666 11 —		
In 1721/2 not advised of hither			117661 8 —		
In July 1723, without mentioning in their books for what or advising the same hither.			4796 — —		
In 1726 Lent him to assist Boyanore against the King of Cotata this they advise of in Generall Terms that the Prince depended on them for supply's (which agreable to the Liberty from hence to give the private helps they could towards Defeating the French designs) they would Assist him w[th]. but as Sparingly as possible					
This Debt by Transferring Fan[s]. 120000 to Ally Rajah A°. 1722 what since Received is now reduced to		73513 2 —			
Deduct for the Lattitude given to Assist that Prince though procured on Assurances of such Supply's & his former Debt being punctually paid as he had opportunity to come at his Treasure out of his Pagoda which being not yet Complyed with is doubled to all amusement, but however allowed in favour of M[r]. Adams Tellicherry Fanams 7200 & Callicutt		6480 — —			
			67033 2 —		
	Callicutt Fanams ..		251639 7 —	Callicutt Fan[s]. ..	251639 7 —

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ WILLIAM PHIPPS.
ROBERT COWAN.
JOHN COURTNEY.
JOHN BRADDY'L.
EDWARD PERCIVAL.
HENRY LOWTHER.
THOMAS RAMMELL.

THESE LOANS we Esteem M[r]. Adams responsible for since it appears they were made without Sufficient authority, As to the great Loans made to the Samorine, thô they seem to be approved off from hence it Evidently appears that it was upon a Supposition the Security the Samorine had made over for Payment of them was good of which we could only be judged from M[r]. Adam[s]'s advices hither, but what we find now is so far Insufficient as not to discharge a Quarter part of the Int: therefore taking the Company's orders in the strictest sence M[r]. Adams is really answerable for a great part more of that Large Debt, where they say they expect he shall make good all such Deficiencys arrising from his Loans for which he had no Warrant from his Superiors to make or got leave by wrong Representations. We have further to remark that as these Loans were all made without our Regular Consent in Councill of the other Covenant Servants on the place, besides M[r]. Adams, and Reasons sett down why so lent according to the Honourable Company[']s] Establisht Rules, and their Possitive orders repeatedly given, he becomes the Rather Reponsible for the whole.

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No Interest is neither here Charged on any of the above Loans which indeed should be, for if he had no Authority for making them the Company ought not to suffer, by being so long out of their money which therefore is a further favour to M^r^. Adams. The above Ballance being Fan^s^. 231249. 10. is therefore ORDERED to be made good by M^r^. Adams into the Honourable Campany's Cash at Tellicherry.

By order of the Hoñble William Phipps Esq^r^. Pres^dt^. & Gov^r^. of Bombay & Councill.

EDWARD PAGE,
Sec^ry^.

KNOW ALL MEN by these Presents That I Robert Adams Esq^r^. at present Chief for Affairs of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at Tellicherry on the Coast of Mallabar in the said East Indies, am held and firmly bound unto the said United Company and their Successors in the Penall sume of Callicutt Fanams Four hundred Sixty two thousand five hundred eighty nine and four viz or pounds sterling Twelve thousand eight hundred forty nine, fourteen shillings and three pence farthing To which Payment well and truly to be made I bind my Self my Heirs, Executors and Administrators firmly by these presents. Seald with my Seal and given under my hand at Tellicherry this [*lacuna*] day of [*lacuna*] Anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred, twenty seven eight.

WHEREAS it doth appear to the Honourable William Phipps Esq^r^. *President* & Governour &c. Councill of Bombay from the Books and Registers of the Abovenamed United Company that the above bound Robert Adams hath at Divers times and upon divers Occasions Lent or Caused to be Lent large Sums of money the Princes & Country Governments near Tellicherry and Callicutt on the Coast of Mallabar in the East Indies aforesaid as he alledges for the Service of the said United Company, but as they think without the sufficient Authority for his so doing Amounting in the whole as will appear by a Stated Account annext hereto, to the sume of Callicutt fanams, Two hundred thirty one thousand two hundred ninety four and ten Viss or pounds Sterling Six thousand four hundred; twenty four Seventeen Shillings and one penny half penny, by means of the said Princes and Governments either or delatorily adhering to repay the said Loans so made them are likely to become Irrecoverable and totally Lost to the said Company.

NOW THE CONDITIONS of this Obligations is such that if the above bound Robert Adams his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators for his and their parts and behalf shall and will in all things well and truely stand to Obey, abide, observe, fulfill and keep the Award, Order Judgment final end, and Determination of the Court of Directors for the time being of the abovenamed United Company Arbitrators indifferently chosen and Elected, as well on the part and behalf of the abovebound Robert Adams, as of the abovenamed United Company, to Arbitrate Award Order, Judge and Determine of, for upon and Concerning all and all manner of Action and Actions, cause and Causes of Actions, Suits, Bonds Bills, Specialitys Judgm^ts^. Execution Extents, Quarrells Controversies, Tresspasses Damages, and Demands whatsoever, at any time heretetore had made, moved, brought, Commenced, sued, Prosecuted, done, suffer'd, Committed, or depending, having been or now being between the said parties touching the Premesies, then this Obligation to be void and of none effect, or else to remain in full force and Virtue, IN WITNESS whereof I have sett my hand & Seal to two Bonds both of this tenour and date the one of which two bonds being accomplish'd the other to be void.

SIGNED SEAL'D & DELIVER'D where no Stamp paper is to be had in the presence of [*lacuna*]

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COMPANY'S AFFAIRS IN THEIR FACTORIES OF CALLICUTT AND TELLICHERRY FROM [*lacuna*]

'Tis first necessary to premise that Callicutt is only a Mart for trade by a Concourse of Merchants from most part of India, but it furnishes no pepper or hardly any of its own Production, 'tis thrown in here from Chittoa lying 15 Leagues S°.ward and from the N°.ward places, the English have had a factory there for a Considerable term of Years, and as the Chiefs observed Chittoa lay very Convenient for the purchase of the aforesaid Commodity, and that a trade might be carried on without giving Umbrage to the Dutch bordering near it, an Interpreter was employed to go there at proper Seasons and with only the expence of making a Warehouse, large Quantitys were arrivd there, for which the Samorine granted his Protection, but this quiet way of managing did not hold long for the Dutch out of an Avaritious principle of grasping all frequent'd the place and in fine without the Samorines leave Commenct a Fort Anno 1709, Assumed the trade as their own property and wholly excluded us from having any intercourse there, We had a footing at Tellicherry lying 12 Leagues N°.ward of Callicutt between Sixty & 70 Years when a house Surrounded with a Mudd wall was vacated by the French and we on an Invitation from the third King of Cannanore took possesion of it that Prince allways retained an extraordinary Affection for the present Chief and observing the Dutch methods at Chitoa of endeavouring to Monop[o]lize all that way, advis'd us to Secure ourselves against them here least when they had accomplish't their designs S°. they might by engaging the Country of their side with Bribes and Annoying by force, Spurr them to Rebell against their Prince, and drive us out, that act the same N°. as they were doing S°. this being a point of vast Consequence to our Company the present Cheif represented in a very just the treatning danger of loosing the whole trade on the Mallabar Coast, and the Hoñble Company as well as their President and Councill of Bombay being fully Convinc't of the necessity of securing our Selves did Anno 1709 Direct Robert Adams Esq^{r}. the then Chief and Factors here to proceed in securing Tellicherry with a good Stone fortifications and it accordingly was begun and carried on, which we shall now leave to observe the Dutch proceedings at Chittoa in their buildings in the Year 1714 they had almost Compleated their Fort without any opposition from the Samorine although he was vastly incensed and enraged at so great an injustice in seizing and Securing the place without his Consent, wisely judging the trade would be lost wholly that way, his revenues Sunk and Callicutt the most flourishing and advantageous place on the Coast ruin'd in a great measure thereby, in these his perplexitys he often Address'd himself to the Cheif to engage him to obtain leave from his Superiors to furnish him with money in Loan, setting forth the advantages it would be to us if he Succeeded as the trade should be ours, only at the small expence of a factory and keeping a few Servants to purchase Pepper, whereas otherwise we should loose all that way and very probable the Dutch would not sett still there, but being encouraged by so easie an Acquisition make an attempt on the trade to the N°.ward these things were very obvious and 'twas our Business to hearten the Samorine at last on the 11th. January 1714/15 by a Stratagem one Durmett Ponnycarry his Fencing master Chittoa Fort was taken and although Severall Attempts & Attacks were made it could not be Recovered, The Samorine being obliged to keep a Considerable Army to withstand his Enemy's applied to us for money, and as the Success of the whole depended cheifly on it, a Loane was in March 1714/15 of one hundred thousand Callicutt fanams at Interest 12 ℔ Cent ℔ Añ. ½ to be taken out of our Customs and ½ to be on the whole Customs of Callicutt by an Appropriation of 7/10 thereof at the same time Robert Adams Esq^{r}. procured a Grant in form to build a Factory and Bangsall at Chittoa and to have full and free liberty to trade thereof these Proceedings, the said Cheif &c. gave particular Advices of to the Hoñble Presid^{t}. and Councill of Bombay, and in their Letter under the 24 Nov^{r}. 1716 Approved of what was done since they Judged the Security was good, in December following, The Hoñble Charles Boone Esq^{r}. Arrived with Ship Stanhope att Callicutt with Severall Gentlemen nominated to be of Councill at Bombay who had the Severall Circumstances fairly related to them Concerning the Affairs of Chittoa and after a

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serious Deliberation of the Unlimmeted Ambition of the Dutch they approved of Robert Adams Esq^r^. management and required his perseverance for the Common good, that the Honourable Company might reap the Advantages of the aforesaid Grant, in pursuance of which on the 18^th^. January 1715/16 he Visited the Samorine at Chittoa and the 23^d^. hoisted the English Flagg on a Convenient Spot of ground given us to build a Factory on, and to enable the Samorine to oppose the vast preperations making by his Enemys we lent him another Loan of 50000 fan^s^. Callicutt and Assured him of more if he Stood heartily to the Cause, which the Hoñble President and Councill of Bombay approved of in their Letter under the 12^th^. Aprill following and the Dutch Seeming resolved to gaine their Point thô the expence was never so great, in order thereto maintained a vast force by Land and Six Ships and Vessells by Sea to stop up Callicutt, that the Samorine might be in a Condition to withstand so Powerfull an Enemy we in Feb^ry^. lent him another 50000 Fanams at Interest on the Paune of his Customs as before, the Town of Callicutt was kept in Continual Allarms and our Boats with the English Pass and Colours were frequently stopt and detained a Considerable time, whereby the Marriners became so Terrified, twas Difficult to gett them to Man our boats for the Carrying of Pepper which we greatly wanted for the lading of the Shipping under the 21^st^. April 1716. The Honourable President & Councill of Bombay Spurr'd us on in the following words:—

"In relation to the Dutch and Samorine we observe what you write You must "carry thrô all oppositions, our intensions are to have a house and Banksall at Chittoa "notwithstanding you encounter the greatest obstacles, since we have once took it in "hand."

Till the Setting in of the Rains in May 1716 the Samorine bravely stood his Ground and notwithstanding the troubles and Warrs in the Country, the Honourable Company was Supplied for the Lading of the Ships Nathaniel, Queen and Catharine with 1546 Candys of Pepper and upwards in August following the Samorine paid off 50000 fanams as part of his Debt exclusive of the Amount of the English Customs and then owed us in all 205916. 11. — in the month November Seven large Ships Arrived from Batavia at Cochin with Recruits of every thing necessary for a vigorous Prosecution of the Warr and a Commissary to Command in the Feild, we were therefore obliged to afford another Loan of 100000 fan^s^. to the Samorine for the Supporting so large an Army as was absolutely necessary to withstand such Powerfull Adversary's, Then the Samorine prest our building our Factory at Chittoa to secure the trade in case of being worsted, and proposed we should (althô he might be obliged to grant the Dutch Liberty to build there) to hold firmly our pretensions engaging himself solemnly allway's at the utmost hazard to Support our Interest Preferrable to any other, and put things in the best method possible, the Chief went to Chottoa, and formd the manner of our factory in January 1716/17. The Dutch and King of Chochin with a numerous Army assaulted the Samorine at two places and took from his Barrier Fort called Paupen and which Defended the Passage to Chittoa his loss was very Considerable as well as his Adve[r]saries, for 'twas reported the Dutch were reduced near 1500 men of the 3000 w^ch^. made up their own forces exclusive of the King of Cochins this unhappy Defeat put the Samorine to Some Streights to Assemble his Army and provide against such misfortunes in future and on this his pressing necessity we advanced another Loan of 100000 fanams but 'twas impossible to oppose the Victorious from going to Chittoa, where on their Arrival they immediately cutt down our Flag staff, destroyed our house and made our servants fly for their security uttering Scurrilous, abusive & threatning words against Robert Adams protesting if they could meet with him they would certainly send him to Batavia bragging of their Success which should not rest there, but even Tellichery & Anjengo the two remaining Settlements of our[s] should fall a Victim to it, of these abominable indignities no redress could be had, we advis'd the Hon^ble^. Company of it as well as their President & Council of Bombay who under the 13^th^. April answer'd in the following words.

"We have enter'd into some debate about the Samorines Affairs & the "Indignity offer'd our Colours by the King of Cochin in Cutting them down at "Chittoa, but as yet are Come to no resolution, We hope the Loans of 20,000 fanams

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"have done Service & Since We have Supplied the Samorine often, We shall not "withdraw till his Affairs are brought to a Conclusion, or the Company forbid us "whose Orders may be expected by the next Ships, The Gov^r. will send you by the "William his Letter of Complaint to the King of Cochin, who if he is not inclinable "to give us Satisfaction by replacing the Flag Staff, he may have such a diversion "from us as he is not aware of."

and in another Letter under the 26^th. April 1727 as follows:—

"We are truely Sensible of the Importance a quiet Settlement of a Factory at "Chittoa will be to the R^t. Hon^ble. Company in the great importance of the Pepper "trade in the Samorines dominions, & that if the Dutch are masters of that place it "will be wholly lost to all others, therefore as the Company have launch'd into such "frequent Loans to defeat their design of a Monopoly, it's still necessary to do the "best you can to keep what you have got though with the hazard of Some Money."

After the Dutch had seated themselves at Chittoa they begun their progress N^o. ward advancing near the Samorines Pallace of Penaney thereby reducing the King of Puniture who lives between those places to a seeming Obedience, then a Treaty seem'd to be enter'd on the Dutch demanding a Fort & the sole trade of Chittoa which many of the Samorines people were prevailed on the great bribes to adhere to; while things stood in this declining Condition Robert Adams out of a Sincere Zeal for the good of his Masters, & in Obedience to their repeated Orders to preserve the trade, hasted to Penaney the 7^th. March 1716/7 very luckily only just time enough to prevent the intended Peace, & by carrying on a Secret Correspondence with the King of Puniture & Stirring up the Samorine & his people to a Gallant Defence of their Rights, they unanimously resolv'd to give battle, & accordingly on the 9^th. March made a warm attack When by the aforesaid Kings assistance in Changing sides, their Enemy was drove to Chittoa leaving all their Amunition, provision &c. to be seis'd on by the Nayros, & that the Affair might be Supported we advanc'd another Loan of 100,000 fanams on the Condition of the former, In July following Robert Adams made another Visit to the Samorine by Land in the Rains, & Obtain'd as a Security for the Company's money a Grant from him in which he makes over his Country ports, & Revenues a[s] a Pawn for his debt & that the War might be better manag'd the King of Puniture who greatly favour'd our Interest was Appointed Commander in Cheif of the forces, he immediatly made a Strong Fortification at his Palace of Cotapaddy Lying about a league N^o. ward of Chittoa & then we Assisted the Samorine with another 10,000 fanams on the same Conditions as the former.

The Dutch bearing a most Inveterated hatred to Robert Adams & meeting the 30^th. Sept^r. 1717 with two of his Munchua's laded with Cotton bound to Anjenga, Seis'd them both, Imprison'd & Cruelly treated the people white & black & notwithstanding the most pressing Application made, Continued in these unwarrantable proceedings refusing to make the least restitution, by which their unparrallell'd Malice & Illwill only because he espous'd the Interest of his Masters he lost to the Amo^t. of Callicutt fanams 30644¼ & the Commadore of Cochin in discourse with Cap^t. Abraham Davis in December 1717 extoll'd & maintain'd the justness of the proceedings Since M^r. Adams had assisted their Enemy, & those Munchua's were far insufficient of making Satisfaction for the immense loss & Expence of blood & treasure Caus'd them; After Several Attempts made by the Samorine & King of Puniture & losing the fore-mention'd place of Cottapaddy & thereby their people much disheartn'd a Peace was Concluded with the Dutch in December 1717 Althô we had Since the beginning of October to enduce him to Carry on the War advanc'd 142000 fanams on the footing of the former, by which peace they were to remain in full possession of Chittoa & Masters of the trade, but this was out of meer necessity it was reasonable to except it could not be lasting, & the Chief Still waited an Opportunity to execute the Authority given him from Bombay as well as from the Hon^ble. Company in the following words.

From Bombay under the 24^th. December 1717.

"We were in hopes of having fuller directions from our Hon^ble. Masters in "relation to the Samorines Affairs than they have been pleas'd to give us, however the

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" President has some private intimations that they are not displeas'd at our proceedings " therein & As We find it absolutely necessary for the preserving our Settlements in " his dominions to Assist him against the King of Cochin to enable you to perform " which we send you down Six Chests treasure, which with those we Suppose you " furnish'd yourselves with by Virtue of our Orders to Cap^{t}. Daws will we doubt not " be Sufficient for that & the provisions of pepper till we Can hear farther from you."

Inclos'd to us from Bombay under the 5th. Sept^{ber}. 1718 wrote by The Hon^{ble}. Company.

" We hear several ways that the Dutch Attempts on the Samorine Continue & " increase as do also their Insults towards our Serv^{ts}. and affairs which we must not, " nor will suffer, Let M^{r}. Adams know you will & we hereby direct you do assist him " in repelling force by force, they being the Aggressors, & if the Samorine will by " authentick instruments give us a grant of Chittoa & any other part of his dominions " receive it from him, and support M^{r}. Adams in whatever he shall do for our Sorvice, " for defence of our Said Grant, Get Authentick & full testimonies of any Injury's the " Dutch may do us on that Coast, that we may make proper use of them when " necessary."

And afterwards the Hon^{ble}. President & Council of Bombay say,

" We have not time to add thereto, but on the Arrival of our Europe Ships " shall give you Ample directions on that head, In the mean time we would have you " adhere to the above order should any occasion require it, however you must consider " the less you embroil yourselves the better."

The King of Puniture remained Staunch to our Interest & resolv'd to regain part of his Country offering us a factory thereabouts & to preserve him Steddy to us we granted him a Loan of 70,000 fanams at Interest in April 1718. The Samorine also seeming determin'd to have a Second tryal we were fond of his Interest & pleas'd ourselves wth. the hopes a favourable turn would fall out to our advantage & he was willing to try his fortune afresh in March 1718/9 through the dissentions then existing between the King of Cochin & the Dutch, but nothing being attempted the Dutch by their Accustom'd methods of briberry resolv'd to have us some how or other cutt of even at Calicutt, & as an Instance of their designs, instigated some of the Principal men in the Commonality to give both blows and Scurrilous Language to some of the Companys Serv^{ts}. &c^{t}. in their walk the usual way the 5th. January 1719/20 & on a nice enquiry made into this unpresidented proceeding, it was the opinion of most, there was a design to have cutt of the Chief as supposing him to be there, but it happily falling out otherwise, they did not care to unmask their intentions by committing any thing so barefac'd as Murther, righty considering as he was left, revenge would be taken ; there was no room to Suppose the Samorine knew any thing of these Villany's, he on the Contrary on Application made, shew'd a willingness to give us satisfaction, for indeed without it, twou'd have been unsafe to remain in his Country & as a mark of his good design therein he came to Callicut & made enquiry into the Affair, being determin'd to Chastise this Insolence, thô when he expected the major part of the Commonality would have sided with him, there appear'd some Considerable men in opposition & he found it not so easy as he at first imagin'd for the Dutch most certainly spirited the party up against him, Continually throw'd them in presents ; The Samorine after staying from February to Nov^{ber}. 1720 finding the Commonality oppose him Assembl'd his Southern people to a very considerable number & with them went in person to the Aggressors house, burnt & destroy'd it, Spending on this Occasion upwards of one hundred thousand fanams, part whereof he expected we should pay but the Chief insisting on the usual protection as we liv'd without any force in his Country he was contented at last with the Loan of Fan^{s}. 67106. 5., viz^{t}. to be discounted out of our Customs without Interest & Assur'd us of a Steady regard as well to our Interest, as the Care of our persons, that no molestation of any kind should be offer'd us ; had not this insult met with a Suitable redress, tis very certain, the Dutch would not have given over their Attempts

till by one means or other they had got rid of M^r^. Robert Adams, who they constantly term'd their Enemy & as Such they wanted to get him treated. There being nothing material to be transacted at Callicut & the Affairs at Tellicherry requiring the Chiefs attendance there, he was the rather inclin'd to make it his principal residence in order to have a Watchfull eye that our nominate friends the Dutch might not gain any advantages over us that way, As it was the only branch left free from their Ingrossment, But before We leave Callicutt it is necessary to observe the Chief notwithstanding the Company had given him a latitude to continue his attempts, yet he declin'd engaging farther with the Samorine, fearing nothing would fall out much in our favour, & so instead thereof he begun to press for the payment of the money lent which he had the most Solemn Assurances should be justly discharg'd; Now having run thrô the principal matters relating to the tedious & bloody Warr & the Melancholy loss of the flourishing pepper trade of Chittoa, We shall assume the Subject of Telichery & trace out the many troubles and difficulties consequent on the building; After the Fort Walls were rais'd & in a tolerable condition for defence, the Natives work'd themselves into a jealousy of our power that one time or Another we might be as obnoxious as the Dutch wheresoever they reside, & therefore resolv'd to give us disturbance before the place was compleated & on the 7^th^. March 1713/14 cutt down two of the Garrison Soldiers just under the Walls & began a Warm fire on the place, the Chief being then at Callicut he repaird forthwith & judiciously had recourse to the Prince & Principall men of the Country for redress, pressing them to enquire if we had at any time given cause for these proceedings, but to his great surprise they seem'd backward & excepting the Prince, all wish'd our destruction, on the 11^th^. April an Attempt was made on the Enemies Fort with an Officer & 50 Men, but by their rambling after they had taken it, near 20 were cutt off & the remainder with the Officer took to the sea for their Safety & were there taken up by our boats, this Extraordinary misfortune oblig'd the Chief to put things in the best order he could & repair to Callicut for Succours, from whence he Supplied the place with ev'ry thing necessary for the rains & then went up w^th^. a farther reinforcement w^h^. he applied so Successfully that on the 16^th^. September following he concluded a peace, but indeed not without using the necessary bribes with one Curringhoda Nayro whom We shall have occasion to mention hereafter. These troubles being Accommodated & a Supply coming afterwards from Bombay the Country continued quiet but indeed we must own, that the preservation of the place was owing to the prudent & discreet management of the Chief w^th^. the Vigilance of M^r^. Johnson, but if the formers Interest had not been very extraordinary at Callicut in obtaining Assistance 'twoud have been impossible after the Aforemention'd defeat to have maintain'd the place; This peace being but a patch'd bussness of necessity on our Side, Curringhoda Nayro entertain'd a notion that as Narrangport had given us so much trouble & disturbance, it was in his power as he was considerably stronger to possess himself of our Fort & the Riches therein, Supposing there must be a large Store of money, but first he chose to sound the Chief & one day came to him & peremptorily demanded the Loan of a hundred thousand fanams Tellichery, which being refus'd him, he speedily after Seis'd as he was abroad on the 17^th^. of Sept^ber^. 1717 one of our Christian Serv^ts^. & by way of Derision impal'd him on a high hill in view of the Fort, insolently declaring he would soon use the principal men of the place in that manner, So vile a barbarity requir'd an immediate Satisfaction & absolutely necessary it was to reduce the power of so Cruel & formidable a Neighbour, Accordingly Application was made to the Prince & Grandees of the Country who seem'd to have a just abhorrence of such Villany & engag'd to Chastise him very speedily, w^ch^. he supposing daringly appear'd w^th^. his forces under the Guns of our Fort & bid defiance to us & our Shot, however in a little time we made him keep at a farther distance & begun to cut down his Coco Nutt Trees, destroy his houses & Country; The Dutch observing us to go on w^th^. Victory resolv'd to stop our proceedings & their Commissary at Cochin wrote to Several Great men in our Interest & even to our Prince to forbear Assisting us, & in November were so barefac'd in their designs as to send their Linguist to Spirit Curringhodaiys, giving him both Ammunition & Money, especially on the 13^th^. D^o^. Six Small Vessels of theirs

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Stood to the N°. ward till the Enemies Minister got a shore w^th^. their Supplies of Gunpowder, Lead & Money, & then tack'd & return'd to the S°ward; The Chief here in opposition to all this animated our party & by a skillful management of their tempers engag'd them heartily for some time; thô as it is Customary some Villany will always be mix'd w^th^. their Actions, for part of what powder & Rice we gave our Side, was likewise by them distributed to the Enemy; on the 7^th^. November he surrender'd one of his Forts call'd Moyland & notwithstanding we had the advantage of him in ev'ry respect he would not submitt to any reasonable terms; In July following 1719 we Surpris'd & took another Fort call'd Punella, which so disheartned him, that on the 23^d^. Sept^ber^. he made peace with us, resigning for ever all Pretensions to the aforesaid Fort of Moyland w^th^. the Land from thence to Tellichery, deliver'd a boy as an Equivalent to that he impal'd, gave two Guns as a token of Submission, & the whole Pepper trade of his Country to the Hon^ble^. Company to be enjoy'd by them exclusive of all other Europeans without paying Custom; These advantages we hop'd would have put the Country by any notions of hurting or troubling us, & the better to prevent them, We continued our footing at Moyland, thereby keeping a large Space of ground free & open to our people, on the 23^d^. April 1721 We had the tragical News of the Murther of the Chief & Council of Anjenga with the Principal Officers & Soldiers while they were at the Queen of Attinga's Pallace accommodating the Affairs of those parts; The Fort by that was in so weak a Condition that we almost despair'd of its being defended by the 30 black decrepid Soldiers then in it, but to encourage them the Chief the same day sent a boat express Assuring them of Supply's; & Accordingly on the 27^th^. Two Munchua's were dispatch'd with 50 Good men & an Officer w^th^. the necessary provisions, and Ammunition, their arrival on the 30^th^. was just time enough to save the place, for those few there were so dismay'd by the approach of the Enemy & the Cries of the miserable Women & Children all retir'd into the Fort for Safety, that they were become quite dispirited & ready to depart by Sea; The Place being now Secur'd and furnish'd with ev'ry thing proper; the Munchua's returning off Chittoa met with a Dutch Sloop, who detain'd them near 24 hours not suffering them to proceed till they had got from our People Six bales of Rice; On the 13^th^. May our Prince came to the Fort of Tellicherry to visit the Chief promising to continue always steady to our Interest & on the 14^th^, returning to his Pallace, Ally Rajah had appointed 600 Moors to cut him & his People off; who in fine after killing 25 men he had w^th^. him Seisd his Person & bro^t^. him near Cananore Letting their Master know he was thereabouts, he angrily ask'd his men why they had brought him alive, & then a Priest interpos'd & beg'd Ally Rajah to consider the dreadfull consequences of destroying the Lawfull Sovereign of the Country; upon which he was after receiving several blows & Vilely insulted by the Mob, set at Liberty; Of this Usuage he immediately gave notice to the Chief requiring of us on this Occasion our Utmost Assistance, & as he & his ancestors at all times stood by us, So now he expected we would in Gratitude at so extraordinary a Juncture afford him all the help we could, which indeed was so just & reasonable that we promis'd to do all in our power for his Service; but the Chief consider'd it would not be proper to appear in open Arms to cause us such an Enemy; althô in reality the Insult & abuse as well as the Consequence of the Princes death must have been judged by all reasonable men as a Gross Affront to our Hon^ble^. Masters, & really intended to prejudice their Affairs by destroying the man under whose protection we liv'd & thrô whose favour we had obtain'd the Settlement; A War was commenc'd against Ally Rajah & a Fortification made on a rising ground commanding his Buzzar of Cannanore; We gave assistance to the Prince of Rice, Powder & Shot, as did the Dutch to Ally Rajah purely in opposition to us, & as an Instance of their ill will, fir'd on several occasions from Cannanore at our boats sent w^th^. Necessaries to the Princes Fort, althô our Vessels always hoisted our Colours; After a great deal of blood shed & Our Hon^ble^. Masters having advanc'd a large Sum of money which was daily increasing, the Chief interpos'd & mediated a peace which was accordingly ratified the 21^st^. March 1721/2 Ally Rajah fining 100,000 Telicherry fanams & an Elephant; while these things were transacting & the head King of

Cannanore w^th^. the other Princes of the Royal Line being there the Chief ingratiated himself inte their Esteem so much as to obtain a full grant for the whole Pepper trade in the Dominions of Collastrie exclusive of all Europeans but the Dutch Sign'd Anno 1722 in presence of the Second King w^th^. the Consent of the other governing Princes; & t'was a particular Satisfaction to us, that these methods taken for our Masters Interest were approv'd of by the Hon^ble^. President & Council of Bombay Viz^t^.

Under the 6^th^. Sept^ber^. 1721.

"We observe the Wicked designs of Ally Rajah against the person of the "Young Prince, & how happily he escap'd being butcher'd, your Assisting him at "this Juncture we Approve & indeed we hope our Appearing for him at Such a Juncture "will rivet his friendship for us more especially should we [be] so happy as to procure "the Chastisement of Ally Rajah as his treachery deserves."

We shall now enter into another Scene of troubles thrô the rise of the French Missisippi Company on the 7^th^. November 1720, one Mons^r^. Molandine arriv'd w^th^. one Ship at Callicut & proceeded to enlarge their decay'd Factory, on which he spent a considerable Sum of money in making Warehouses &c^t^. w^ch^. led us to think he intended to settle that place for the Carrying on their purchase of Pepper, under the 9^th^. December following the Hon^ble^. President & Council of Bombay gave us the Subsequent directions relating to them and communicated the Company's orders likewise.

From the Hon^ble^. President & Council of Bombay Viz^t^.

"We send you a Copy of a Paragraph in our Hon^ble^. Masters Letter by S^t^. "George, relating to the Misisippi Company by which you'l perceive you are to give "no Countenance to any of the French Shipping come they under what Denomination "so ever, on the Contrary you are to impeed their bussness as much as possible & to "prevent any who have dependance on us from entering into any Commerce w^th^. them, "on Penalty of being dismiss'd our Service, as the Establishment of the Company in "these parts will be equally pernicious to our Hon^ble^. Masters Affairs as the Ostenders, "you must act w^th^. as like precaution to both."

The Hon^ble^. Company's Orders ℔ Ship S^t^. George Viz^t^.

"On these premises we build the following Order Viz^t^. That you & all under "you do take care that the French, come they under what Denomination Soever be not "allow'd to partake of any benefits of our Grants, That none of our Serv^ts^. whither "Europeans or Indians, nor any of our Merch^ts^. or Brokers be permitted to buy or "sell for them or otherwise Assist them in their trade & Merchandize; That since they "are like to be no better to us than the Ostenders, Therefore whatever Orders you have "rec'd relating to the Ostenders whether from this Court of Directors, or the[ir] "appointed Committee be now & from henceforward put in Execution & be look'd "upon to be equally obligatory upon you w^th^. relation to them whenever they appear "in any place under your Presidency."

On March the 22^d^. 1720/21 The French Chief unknown to us met Boyanore at Burgorah and sign'd reciprocally Articles for their having a Factory at Myhie & to enjoy the pepper trade of that Country exclusive of all others, which gave the King & Princes great disgust at such an extraordinary presumption; it being always understood that the Sovereign alone has the priviledge of making such grants; This Sudden Step greatly alarm'd the Chief who in Conformity to the Orders, endeavour'd by all means possible to prevent the French's intended Settlement & Boyanore at last gave firm Assurances to our Linguist, he would find some way or other to evade his promise & instead thereof Let us enjoy the trade; with these hopes & Expectations we were amus'd from time to time & althô their Factory at Myhie lying little more than a League S^o^.ward of us was building, yet he continued his Assurances to us;

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The Chief in particular now was oblig'd by Stronger ties, if possible to be Carefull of the Company's Interest who were pleas'd under the 31st. March 1721 (rec'd the 25th. January 1721/22 & Communicated by Gov^{r}. Boone then here) to express themselves in the following Manner.

"We have had from you & others an Acco^{t}. in very considerable & frequent "Instances of M^{r}. Adams Zealously espousing our Interest at Callicut & elsewhere on "the Malabar Coast & that he hath been a great obstacle to the Dutch's further progress "there towards engrossing the whole trade of it; wherefore we hereby order & direct "you gave him from us Four thousand Roupies Gratuity to encourage his persever- "ance & as some consideration towards the losses he has Sustain'd by the Dutch "seising his Munchua's; We have laid a Memorial on Coast (wherein is contain'd the "injustice they did him) before a R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. The L^{ds}. Commissioners of Trade & "Plantations among other grievances & difficulties our trade labour'd under, & w^{ch}. the "house of Lords address'd his Majesty praying they might be inquir'd into; So that "We hope in due time the Dutch will be oblig'd to make him Satisfaction; We have "also sent him a pair of very Curious Pistols to remain wth. him as a trophy or "reward of Military Courage."

We made all the concessions possible to Boyanore offering him present; Assistance on all Occasions, & indeed ev'ry thing we thought would be agreable to him, to hinder the French building; On the 23^{d}. October a Large Ship of theirs Arriv'd at Callicutt wth. money & Soldiers w^{ch}. gave us a fresh Alarm & then we renew'd our Application to Boyanore w^{ch}. he seem'd to adhere to, & Assur'd us they should hold no footing his Country, but so deceitfull are Malabars, while he seem'd to favour us, he assisted the French to Stirr up the Young Curringhoda & the other Powers about to Seise Moyland, meaning thereby to Involve us & so Carry on their Affairs the better, & what encourg'd them the more was the Death of his Uncle, We have before observ'd how fairly that place was made over to us & on our repre- senting the Advantage of keeping it, The Hon^{ble}. President & Council of Bombay under the 15th. April 1721 directed our fortifying of it. In pursuance of w^{ch}. we got together materials for that purpose; The Chief had notice privately of the Consul- tations held to our prejudice, & from Callicut in October 1722 wrote to the principal people to be Cautious of making any Attempts against us, Assuring them of his Strict Adherence to ev'ry thing they might fairly propose for the Ease & quiet of us & the Country; but they look'd on this as a temerity of ours, & therefore resolv'd on begin- ning hostilities & the 3^{d}. Nov^{ber}. in the night unknown to us, 3 or 4000 Nayro's Lodged themselves in the Ditches adjacent to Moyland & when our Labourers & People were hard at their work on the Fort they rush'd out of their holes & begun their Attack on all sides w^{ch}. put the poor Masons & Cooly's in Such a fright that some took shelter within & others ran towards Tellicherry of w^{ch}. two were barba- rously kill'd & two more wounded. The Officer in Command wth. the few men he had gave the Nayro's a brave repulse & drove them back from under the Wall & a rein- forcement coming from Tellicherry they were oblig'd shamefully to retire home wth. out doing us any Considerable damage; they afterwards came now & then near us & Exchang'd some Shot & to annoy us the better in our building, fortified a hill very adjacent, from thence they gave frequent disturbances to the Cooly's; In this month of November the Chief had the Agreable News from Bombay sent by the Gov^{r}. & Council That the Hon^{ble}. Comp^{y}. in regard to his long Services appointed him to Suc- ceed the Hon^{ble}. W^{m}. Phipps Esq^{r}. in that Presidency in Case of his decease or absence, & in Several parts of their letter ℔ Prince Frederick mention'd wth. Applause M^{r}. Adams Vi[gil]ance & Activity in their Affairs; On the 6th. Dec^{ber}. 1722 the French hoisted their flag in Boyanore Country near the River Myhie (having then two Ships in the road) they immediately dispatch'd an Ensign wth. a Letter requiring we should look on that place as belonging to the King of France, & that the people there were under their protection, to w^{ch}. We gave an immediate answer Declaring that they had no legal title to be there, since Boyanore had no power to give them any & more that he who had, being the King Colastrie & Sovereign of those Dominions did on the 23^{d}. March 1721/2 make over all the pepper trade of his Country to us

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exclusive of all Europeans but the Dutch. In January 1722/3 We us'd all means possible to bring Curringhoda to a Peace w^th^. us, requiring of him only to ratifie the Articles made by his Predecessor, w^ch^. he refusing & Slighting we resolv'd to humble him, & therefore on the 25^th^. Assaulted two of his places, that he had lately rais'd to interrupt our building, taking them sword in hand & destroying the Country adjacent; Boyanore at this was alarm'd & fearing least this Success might in the end prove of ill Consequence to him, resolv'd to espouse the quarrell, & engag 'd the French to lend him some of their men, who actually fought against us in the field; On the 9^th^. March in the morning Instigated Chiefly by the French & Carried on by Boyanore, the whole force of these parts were bro^t^. to attack all our places excepting Tellicherry w^th^. the Number of near 14000 men thô by the particular providence of God We made them retire w^th^. a Considerable Loss in the Evening but that did dishearten them from making a second Attempt on the 14^th^. w^th^. near the same Army & like Success; We are very positive that if they had obtain'd any advantages over us they would have endeavour'd w^th^. the French Assistance to plant Guns of Tellicherry hill over looking the Fort, thereby if Possible to have drove us out of it; Notwithstanding these pernicious designs we gave not the least disturbance to Boyanore least we should plunge ourselves into farther troubles & Expences, Altho as a fresh Instance of his Ill will he seis'd some of our Pepper coming down the River Myhie & Lodg'd it in the French Warehouses, We made frequent representations of his proceedings & Injuries done us, but he haughtily despis'd ev'ry thing that came from us, These surely were aggravations sufficient in attempting our total destruction & the Seising our Effects; The Hon^ble^. President & Council of Bombay had so just an Idea of it, that they sent us the William Gally & afterwards the Revenge Groab in April 1723 to be employ'd against our Enemies w^ch^. might have done us Considerable Service, had not a dreadfull Storm in November utterly destroy'd the Revenge & for a time disabl'd the William, giving Boyanore with French aid, an Opportunity of getting a large quantity of rice for his Country, w^ch^. before was much wanted & thereby prevented our accommodating w^th^. him w^ch^. otherwise he must thrô meer necessity have done or Starv'd, however in the beginning of December he seem'd resolv'd to satisfie us in ev'ry thing, but broke up the Conference soon after & then resolv'd to put his Munchua's to Sea, Consisting of 16 mand w^th^. Moors & 24 Frenchmen, who got by our Vessells thrô the Cowardise of those in Command at Callicut, they were furnish'd by the French w^th^. near 5000 bales of Rice, 5 Candy's Gunpowder, Small Arms &c^t^. return'd the 30^th^. Dec^ber^. not without meeting w^th^. our Vessels just as they enter'd into their Port, where we closely engag'd them under the Command of the Guns ashore & 3000 Men w^th^. fire Arms, but at last could bring away only one Munchua, This additional Supply w^th^. the Arrival of a French Ship in February 1723/4 gave new Spirit to Boyanore & the former were so bent on assisting him that because Our Vessels took a Munchua, going into the Enemies Port w^th^.out pass or Colours; Their Ship on the 10^th^. February came into our Road, and attempted to stop the Shalum under pretence that the said Munchau's belong'd to them, & in fine relying on the words of the Cap^t^. that the rice on board was intended for the provision of his Ship, We return'd her, but had the mortification to see instead of his taking out the rice, he sent the Vessel & it ashore to give Boyanore, We continued however to give what troubles possible to his Country & on the 15^th^. Feb^ry^. attempted w^th^. the William Gally & other Vessels to burn his Ship lying near the Surf, but unfortunately the said Gally took fire & was blown up & the flower of our Garrison destroy'd We had notice soon after of the arrival of a Vessel of his at Callicut from Bengal w^ch^. we expected would attempt coming to Myhie, & therefore gave orders to the Vessels we had left to take her & bring her in hither, on the 20^th^. Feb^ry^. one Henry Baynton the Person in the Chief Command seeing a Vessel stand near Boyanore's Country & judging it to be his, indiscreetly attack'd her in the night, the Consequence of w^ch^. was the burning of both, & what was worse the same prov'd to be a Moor Ship bound to Mocha, the dreadfull misfortune attended w^th^. the loss of the best men sav'd out of the foregoing disaster reduc'd our power So that we were in no Condition to give any Molestation to his Ports; & what put it more out of power to accommodate was the arrival of another French Ship in March 1724 of 54 Guns

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who to aggrandize their power on the 5th. Dº. said Ship call'd the Lilly Capt. Gaillard de Boisscon wth. her boats forcibly enter'd Ship Southgate from Bengal & carried her under their Stern pretending it was because we had given molestation to their people at Myhie, not refflecting that on all occasions of our attacking our open Enemy Boyanore they had publickly appear'd against us, after the passing of Several protests on both sides, we Came to mutual Articles on the 13th. March implying that we should not assist the enemies of each other wth. either provisions, Ammunitions &ct. directly or indirectly; All Vessels wth. French Colours having a pass & one or more of their people on board should proceed without any molestation, By this Agreement we judg'd we had greatly the advantage over them, but one of our Vessels contrary to positive orders sending one of theirs to Tellicherry, they gladly took it, as an Fraction of the Engagements notwithstanding we wrote them the following Letter.

Srs.

" We find notwithstanding the severe orders given our People they have brot. in " your Munchua wch. we now return & so soon as the Vessels come in shall do you & " ourselves justice for this breach of orders ".

And out of a Willingness as having the Superiority of Force to Gratifie Boyanore on the 27th. March the Decoy Groab sent to our assistance by the Honble. President & Council of Bombay being then on the Cruize wth. Vessels in the night was fir'd at by the aforesaid Ship Lilly who in violation of the Law of Nations actually convoy'd 7 Munchua's laded wth. rice for our Enemie & afterwards proceeded to Mangalore to bring down several others. We however were desirous, as t'was a main advantage to hinder their getting a Supply of rice for the rains & accordingly sent the Decoy wth. other Vessels towards Mangalore to intercept the Enemy, but off that place the French Ship seeing the Decoy weigh'd & Stood towards her & in fine forcibly kept her, after having in derision to us hoisted the Union downwards, then bringing & above 20 of the Enemies Munchua's thrô our road of Tellicherry in triumph bragging to Boyanore they could wth. the same ease take 6 or 7 Sail of Ships then Lying in the road of Tellicherry after the landing of the rice on the 16th. April 1724 they releas'd the Groab & wrote a jeering Letter to Mr. Adams that she had been kept only to prevent her being taken by the Pyrates very frequent on this Coast. And as another means to disturb us they kept out boats to prevent our Communication wth. Callicut. This usuage & the misfortunes otherwise attending us was a means to continue the War for now Boyanore had his ports open & his Country Supplied wth. provision that he made little or no Acct. what we could do to him So that he laid Schemes of Surprising Moyland & certainly had Corrupted some of our Soldiers to give him an entrance. The Chief had constant intelligence of all that pass'd & the better to secure it went frequently to lye there sparing no pains or watchings to frustrate their designs; The French notwithstanding the outrages committed publickly declar'd they would seise the Boone & Moylan, wch. notice we carefully sent to the Govr. & Council of Bombay, in the begining of November 1724 was renew'd our Conference wth. Boyanore in hopes of speedily coming to a peace, But the arrival of two French Ships at Myhie the 15th. put it back as well as the fatal Loss of the Decoy Groab blown up at anchor in the road the 21st. in wch. the ten good men we had left perish'd. On the 24 December Imported the Morrice & Cadogan from Bombay in order to protect the Shipping particularly the Boone & Moyland from the French wth. orders to keep them no longer than the midd[l]e of January except on a very urgent Necessity, by them the Honble. President & Council communicated the Companys Sentiments relating to their Settlements as follows.

" We have reason to believe even by intimation of some of the Dutch Bewen- " thebbers that the Dutch Settlements on the Coast will not behave so inhospitably & " Unchristian like as they have lately done at Cochin & to some of the Madrass Ships " when in Tutacorin bay; but as to their Endeavours to encroach on us wth. respect " to the pepper trade, we are affraid their hopes of getting as much of it in their

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" power as possible, will prompt them to persevere therein, thô perhaps more Clandes-
" tinely therefore keep a Watch upon them & prompt up Mr. Adams to keep the same
" Vigilance as hitherto for our Interest. We are the more satisfied he does because
" the Bewenthebbers have wrote from Holland hither how much he is their Enemy;
" touching the French & Ostenders resorting to Boyanore's Country & hoisting the
" French flag near Myhie River, We can make nothing of a judgement because the last
" letters from thence give us a very uncertain Acco^{t}. of the fluctuating Condition of
" affairs there & Can only repeat w^{t}. we wrote last year that we believe Mr. Adams
" heartily espouses our Interest & we recommend to him to pursue it in the best
" manner he Can."

With these Ships of ours we propos'd hindering the Enemy from getting Supplies of provision, as the only method of bringing him to a peace & as we understand was warrantable by the Law of Nations. But Cap^{t}. Peacock being Commadore would adhere to no propositions of that kind this put us in great Streights having no other means of reducing our Enemy; however the Chief put the best face on it & by threatning publickly & bribing privately on y^{e}. 2^{d}. March 1724/5 we went down with the Ships to Boyanores Country & reciprocally sign'd Articles. The principal matter of w^{ch}. was that the January following being 1725/6 the whole trade should be ours exclusive of all Europeans for no Such should be permitted to reside there; on the 6th. March we dispatch'd the Ships to Bombay giving an Acco^{t}. of our transactions, and thereby a justification for the detaining of them, whose Countenance were absolutely necessary, for indeed wth. out them our threats would have recoild to us, it being very evident they were the only means we had of acting Offensively By the foregoing relation, it is easy to remark we had extraordinary difficulties to contend with on many Occasions & only a person well vers'd in the Country & Acquainted with the many parties in it could have acted so well for the preservation of the Settlement, & when it is impartially consider'd that thrô the several losses, the flower of our men being cut off, & we in no Condition to disturb our Enemy, nay what is worse debas'd publickly by the French our selves; it must be esteem'd as an extra-ordinary management in opposition to all this to obtain a productive of the advantages requir'd by our Hon^{ble}. Masters for in May 1725 in Compliance with our Agreement, Boyanore oblig'd the French to leave his Country, after so much pain & Continual Labour we doubted not of our Superiors giving us a word of approbation, but it prov'd otherwise heavy Complaints were made of our Charges, disappointments of pepper, returning the Ships so late, & blam'd as a high neglect in not sending the Morrice to Anjenga; As to the Charges it was wholly out of our power to help, unless we had to avoid them given up the Settlements; We had no stock to purchase pepper; keeping the Ship was a real necessity, or we should have had no peace; & to have sent the Morrice to Anjenga would [have] render'd us weaker than the French & by that means might have induc'd them to act the foregoing years scene affresh, w^{ch}. these Ships were sent to prevent We gave these reasons in answer, but far were they of being Satisfactory, for on the 7th. November 1725 Mr. John Braddyllone of the Council at Bombay arrivd wth. a full commission to take the direction on himself, & to put the affairs under a better management & on the 21st. of the same month the French wth. a Considerable force made a descent on Boyanores Country & soon seis'd his Fort; by which they are become better establish'd in his Country than before, & began to kindle new flames by means of Curringhoda against us, as a Stratagem to divert our disturbing them; On the 4th. December following Mr. Braddyll return'd to Bombay to give an Acco^{t}. of Matters here. The Chief therefore in order to preserve ourselves quiet excited Boyanore to a resentment, w^{ch}. he at last begun, by w^{ch}. all thoughts for that time were laid aside in regard to us, this leads us to remark, how precarious human Concerns are thô the Hon^{ble}. Comp^{y}. had so frequently enjoyn'd the preserving their trade particularly from the Dutch, Ostenders & Missisippi, they were pleas'd by the Devonshire & Wyndham to write very severely against the Chief here entirely forgetting the many Encomiums given at several times of his honest, faithfull & Zealous discharge of his trust, but to reassume the affairs of the French & Boyanore after continual Strivings from Nov^{ber}. 1725 to Nov^{ber}. 1726 following they came to a

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peace, the French to pay a Sum of money to him, but to have the whole pepper trade of his Country exclusive of all others, it was often in our power to have continued the Warr, durst we have given small supplies of rice to Boyanore, as the French had done publickly when he was our Enemy, even by opening his ports, protecting his Merch^{ts}. Country & Vessels, We indeed gave us such an assistance to him as we thought would be approv'd of by our Superiors, but that as it was done always on our parts under Apprehensions of being disapprov'd of, fail'd of producing the wisht for Effects, thô at times he had of us in Ammunition &c^{t}. to near the Amo^{t}. of 80,000 fanams Tellicherry, The French being at peace that way resolv'd to give us disturbance here, & on the 12th. & 13th. October 1726 we had information, that under the pretence of hunting Curringhoda &c^{t}. Assisted by them were to have lodged themselves on two hills very near us, one of w^{ch}. commands Moylan to prevent this, therefore we had our men posted before them with strict orders to give no molestation but our Opposites in a rage began a warm fire on our people & Continued it till the Evening of the 12th. a great part of time being Assisted by the French openly against us, & then in the morning on the 13th. fir'd first at us again as appears at large under our Officers & Soldiers hands, after this we had frequent intellegence they continued fix'd in their intention of making a Lodgement on the hill call'd Putinha said before to command Moylam w^{ch}. had they effected under the advantages of the French Assistance we should have been involv'd in a very difficult War; to prevent it therefore we agreed to take possession of it ourselves the 26th. Nov^{ber}. at night having a right thereto as formerly ours & within our Limits, We begun with the utmost secresy, but the French by one means or other getting notice of it, they kept firing from Curringhoda's Fort at that place & Moylan till past ten being the 27th, in the morning without our returning one Shot, & the same Evening the French gave us notice that in the name of their King & for the Comp^{y}. of France they would as on the 28th. in the morning take possession of a hill call'd Carria Cuna lying within a Musket Shot of us, w^{ch}. We answer'd would be a great breach of the peace & beg'd them to Consider the Consequence of Such Unwarrantable proceedings especially as Curringhoda's Country was made over to us; yet they regarded us not, but did accordingly in the morning hoist their Flag & fire Guns in triumph, We Submitted to all this, not without the Apprehensions of meeting with farther ill usuage, but at last by our tame submission they let us alone as we did them: & now we shall leave things in this posture in order to make farther remarks of the severe manner. The Hon^{ble}. Company were pleas'd [to] write concerning M^{r}. Adams management by the Stanhope, rec'd at Bombay the 23^{d}. January 1726/7 & Since Communicated to us wherein his former Zeal for their Service is Construed as having then nothing in view but his own Interest, & therefore the lending money to the Samorine, King of Puniture &c^{t}. ought to be made good by himself & which they require him to do, & again this Season by the Duke of Cumberland signified to us from Bombay under the 31st. January 1727/8 the Hon^{ble}. President & Council say that 'tis requird M^{r}. Adams make good all difficiency's arising from Loans he made, for w^{ch}. he had no warrant from his Superiors, or did get leave of them thrô wrong representations & as M^{r}. Adams finding himself put by the Succession, wrote his intention of laying down the Service next April 1728 desiring only the Credit of going off the Shore Chief. They say in regard thereto & the debts Viz^{t}.

"Should it therefore happen from the Steps taken & Expectations given hither "of the recovery of them still remains doubtfull whither they will be so, or no, when "him appointed to succeed arrives he is then immediately to take place, & M^{r}. Adams "in such case will be requir'd to remain wth. you for assisting wth. his Advice towards "getting of the money in, untill they are so unless he gives Security for the Sum "as requird to answer such deficiency's as may be deem'd by the Hon^{ble}. Court of "Directors he is answerable for in what of those debts shall become desperate."

These Orders carry with them a more than ordinary Severity & harshness especially when it is calmly consider'd how long M^{r}. Adams has serv'd the Hon^{ble}. Company with great applause & now at last being inclin'd to enjoy the space allotted him in his own Country wth. peace to incumber him wth. hardships in recompence for his

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warm Zeal & brave behaviour in their Service is an Unkindness not to have expected & in Vindication of his proceedings we dare affirm that in all his Actions he had nothing in view, but the raising to the most flourishing pitch the Hon^ble^. Company's Affairs & for that intent & no other were the Several Loans made & we are moreover certain the King of Puniture in particular owes him a good sum of money not bro^t^. to the Company's Acco^t^. althô it was lent purely for their Service. In regard to the Samorines debt, it is considerably lessen'd of what his Acco^t^. was charg'd with being Callicut fanams 902440. 2 of w^ch^. at times he has paid 576751.' 1. so that now there remains on ballance exclusive of Interest 325689. 1. w^ch^. we really believe will in a Short time be made good & it ought to be consider'd that althô he was not so fortunate as to obtain Chittoa, yet the Dutch by spending such immense Sums & meeting w^th^. so powerfull an opposition will be Cautious in future of making attempts when the Consequence thereof may lead them into such prodigious Charges, tis very obvious they are a most aspiring people & if not obstructed when occasion requires it they may soon gain the trade from us, w^ch^. to prevent hitherto M^r^. Adams has labour'd w^th^. indefatigable pains & diligence & althô the Hon^ble^. Company found they could not obtain what they desir'd in regard to Chittoa yet it fully appears by the preceeding papers they were highly pleas'd w^th^. his management & bestow'd a reward on him for it. We affirm & declare the foregoing to be a genuine representation of the transactions in these Settlements. In testimony whereof we hereunto set our hands in Tellicherry this 28^th^. day of February One thousand Seven hundred & Twenty Eight.

ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.

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Saild the Victoria for Tannore. SUNDAY 17TH.

About five a Clock this Evening by Toney express rec'd a Letter from Robert Adams Esq^r^., John Bradyll Esq^r^., & M^r^. Stephen Law dated Tanore the 18^th^. Ins^t^. advising they had rec'd information from Mangallore by w^ch^. they apprehended there would be great difficulty to obtain a Lading of rice for the Manchua's sent on our Hon^ble^. Masters Acco^t^. w^ch^. were oblig'd to proceed to some of the N^e^.thern Ports occasion'd by the King of Canara having orders no rice should be sold to any one, Enclos'd came a Letter from the Chief to the Vicar here, & another for the Gov^r^. of Mangallore, requesting the former to proceed thither, & use his Endeavours to obtain four or five thousand bales of rice for the Support of these Garrisons for w^ch^. purpose they direct we deliver him fifteen hundred dollars & to send two Soldiers in a large Toney to convey him thither, Immediately on receipt of w^ch^. Letter we sent for the Vicar, and deliver'd the Chiefs Packet as aforesaid, on perusing of w^ch^. he told us he was very ready to serve the Hon^ble^. Company in this Affair to the utmost of his power & would proceed tomorrow. TUESDAY 19TH.

This Evening dispatch'd the Toney to Tannore & answerd the Chief &c^t^. their Letter informing them the Vicar would proceed tomorrow for Mangallore to get a quantity of rice & agreable to their directions we would deliver him fifteen hundred dollars & afford him the Conveyance as they order'd & Enclos'd sent the Vicars answer to the Chiefs Letter.

We this day in the forenoon deliver'd the Vicar two bags containing fifteen hundred dollars for w^ch^. we took his receipt, & he requesting four Soldiers might be sent w^th^. him instead of two, they went accordingly in a large toney with w^ch^. he procur'd this Moon for Mangallore. WEDNESDAY 20TH.

This day came a Letter from Mangallore for the Chief w^ch^. we judging to be of Importance dispatch'd a toney express w^th^. it inclos'd in ours to the Chief &c^t^. & one to our Callicut Linguist Assistant directing him by our Linguist to forward the Same by our Nayro's informing them the Vicar departed yesterday for Mangalore. THURSDAY 21ST.

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SATURDAY 23D. Rec'd a Letter from Robert Adams Esq^{r}. John Braddyll Esq^{r}. & M^{r}. Stephen Law dated Tannore the 21st. Ins^{t}. acknowledging ours of the 19th. advising to bring him to Penany that they may [have] a speedy interview.

DO. DIE. Answer'd the above Letter owning the receipt therefore Assuring them in case anything extraordinary happen'd we should fail to advise express agreeable to their directions.

THURSDAY 28TH. Imported Ship Decker from Surat, & the Prince Brig^{tine}. Cap^{t}. Rob^{t}. Coney from said place.

FRYDAY 29TH. Rec'd a Letter from Rob^{t}. Adams Esq^{r}. Chief, John Braddyll Esq^{r}. & M^{r}. Stephen Law dated Penany the 26th. Ins^{t}. acknowledging the receipt of ours of the 23^{d}. Informing us they had hopes of receiving two hundred thousand fanams now & the remainder of the debt put on a good footing, that the Ministers were to [be] wth. them presently to adjust ev'ry thing & by the 29th. they propos'd to embark.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JOHN JOHNSON. WILLIAM FORBS.
HUGH HOWARD. WILLIAM JOHNSON.

SATURDAY 30TH. M^{r}. Forbs having desir'd a Council might be held represents to us as follows, that as the Charge of the Settlement is deliver'd over to us in the Absence of M^{r}. Adams, M^{r}. Braddyll & M^{r}. Stephen Law enquires of M^{r}. Johnson & the rest of the Gentlemen by what Authority several Chests & Furniture belonging to M^{r}. Adams were shipp'd off on board the Decker this afternoon, for in his humble opinion nothing should be sent off unless we have orders from M^{r}. Adams, M^{r}. Braddyll & M^{r}. Law, untill their return from Penany, as they advise us it will be very soon, & thinks a stop ought to be put to it untill we have their orders w^{eh}. he recommends to the Consideration of this board.

Debating thereon we thought proper to send M^{r}. Howard wth. a message to M^{rs}. Adams desiring her to desist sending any thing off untill such time as We had rec'd orders from Penany w^{ch}. she wou'd not satisfie us in, & Cap^{t}. Upton saying to M^{r}. Forbs he would carry M^{rs}. Adams & her family to Madrass & M^{r}. Adams might follow afterwards, We conceiving such proceedings to be contrary to the Hon^{ble}. Company's standing rules & orders, & Consequently should we suffer it, would be neglecting our Duty, & the trust repos'd in us, considering M^{r}. Adams has not deliver'd over his Charge, Unanimously resolv'd to send for the Officer on Guard directing him not to suffer any Goods or Chests to go out of the Fort without giving us previous notice, & as We have acted in this affair according to the best of our Judgements, We hope it will be approv'd of by our Superiours; Agreed therefore that we write the Gentlemen at Penany advising them of our proceedings, & request their orders Concerning this Affair.

JOHN JOHNSON.
WILLIAM FORBS.
HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

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At a Consultation

Present

John Johnson. William Forbs. Monday
Hugh Howard. William Johnson. April 1st.

Mr. Forbs acquaints Mrs. Adams had sent a message to him by Manuel Rodriguez Second Linguist informing him she wanted to take out Two Chests of money wch. he said she had in the Treasury & as there is a general Stop put to carrying any thing out of the Fort, we Agreed to send him wth. a message acquainting her we could not comply wth. her request untill we had Mr. Adams &c. orders, as we had wrote them concerning these Affairs the 30th. Ultimo.

John Johnson.
William Forbes.
Hugh [Howard].
William Johnson.

Imported the Hallifax Briggantine Cap. Wm. Hurst from Goa, & the Wakefield Do. die.
Capt. Thomas Dixon from Bengal.
Sail'd the Hallifax Briggantine for Bengal.
Sail'd the Prince Briggantine for Anjenga. Tuesday 2d.

This day came the Vicar from Mangalore, informing us, that upon his Arrival Monday
there he found no Embargo laid on rice, therefore did not think it necessary to apply 8th.
to the Govr. & the extraordinary difficulty in getting it, was not occasion'd by any great Scarcity but thrô the Govr. & Merchts. their combining not to sell any but at an exorbitant price wch. was from 27 to 28½ ℔ Corge that all the Company's money was invested, & the Munchua's Laden, but were hinder'd from coming hither by bad weather wch. when proves good they will sett out.

Wrote a Letter to the Gentlemen at Penany advising them of the above by a Do. die
Toney express & requesting their speedy answer to what we wrote them the 13th. Ulto.

At a Consultation

Present

John Braddyll Esqr. John Johnson. Thursday
William Forbes. Hugh Howard. 4th.
William Johnson.

John Braddyll Esqr. arriving this morning on the Victoria Groab from Penany lays before the board the diary of his transactions in Conjunction with Robert Adams Esqr. & Mr. Stephen Law during the Course of their late negotiation with the Samorine as also transcript of the Advice they judged necessary to transmit to the Honble. President & Council of Bombay on that Occasion, The whole proceeding being approv'd of by the board, Orderd that the aforesaid diary be fairly wrote out & sent for the perusal of our Superiours at Bombay ℔ first opportunity.

He likewise delivers up the two new Ola's now rec'd from the Samorine wth. nine others as ℔ List thereof enter'd after this Consultation: directed that said Olas be lodged in a proper place to prevent their taking damage by Moisture or other Accidents.

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It appearing absolutely necessary to this board y^t^. the Victoria Groab be forthwith dispatch'd to Bombay the Season growing late, it is directed that the necessary Advices touching this Settlement be forthwith prepar'd.

M^r^. Braddyll on perusal of the transactions here since his departure to the Southward observing the Seeming restraint that has been put on M^rs^. Adams & her family by the Gentlemen left in trust, moves the board to give in their reasons for these proceedings w^ch^. they offer as follows:

That the Charge of this Settlement, was deliverd over to them in the absence of Robert Adams Esq^r^., John Braddyll Esq^r^., & M^r^. Stephen Law who were gone to Penany to adjust the Samorine Acco^ts^. & M^r^. Adams not having deliverd over anything of his Charge, & Seeing Chests & Goods carried out of the Fort as We apprehended the Charge deliver'd over to us, was to remain in the same Condition untill their Arrival, or we had orders from them & M^rs^. Adams not advising any of us that She intended to send any things on board the Decker, & the requiring the delivery of two Chests of Treasure, We thought it our Duty to put a Stop to any thing being Embark'd till we had orders from Robert Adams Esq^r^. John Braddyll Esq^r^. & M^r^. Stephen Law to whom we wrote Express, & as we have acted in this Affair without any malice or prejudice to any one they hop'd it would meet w^th^. a favourable approbation of our Superiours & desire Copy of the Consultations, concerning this Affair [to] be sent to Bombay ℔ Victoria,

W^ch^. being fully Consider'd & debated on M^r^. Braddyll put the question, whether or no the Continuance or non Continuance of M^rs^. Adams & her family & their Necessary's at Tellicherry do any wise Effect the Hon^ble^. Company Affairs, or comes within the reach of any orders rec'd from the Hon^ble^. President & Council of Bombay relating thereto, w^ch^. was unanimously carried in the negative & the Gentlemen then left in trust declar'd they were only mov'd to this proceeding from the caution they would willingly have it thought they acted withall in the Absence of their Superiours, T'is therefore agreed that what restraints was then thought necessary Concerning them be now taken off, & that they have Liberty with their necessary's to remain or go away as they think Convenient.

Our Store of Dammer being out & there being a necessity of making provision thereof for our Gun Carriages &c^t^. ORDERD that the Storekeeper buy a Candy from Some of the Bengall Shipping now in the road for that purpose.

ADJOURND.

JONH BRADDYLL.
JOHN JOHNSON.
WILLIAM FORBS.
HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

A DIARY OF TRANSACTIONS BY ROB^T^. ADAMS ESQ^R^. JOHN BRADDYLL ESQ^R^. & M^R^. STEPHEN LAW ON THEIR VISIT TO THE SAMORINE IN ORDER TO RECOVER HIS DEBT TO THE HON^BLE^. COMPANY.

TANNORE

MARCH THE 18^TH^. 1727/8. Agreable to the resolution taken at Tellicherry, We yesterday in the Evening embark'd on the Victoria Groab & this noon arriv'd here, having given directions to the Tellicherry Linguist to take in Suamy Putturah & the head Custom Master of Callicutt to assist in our Negotiation w^th^. the Samorine, but t'was impossible to persuade the Custom Master to go down without the Kings order.

The Linguist bro^t^. us advice of the extream Scarcity of rice at Mangallore & that our boats would be able to get any there as the Canatick King had possitively forbid any being exported, & some of our people there wrote him, they had resolv'd therefore to proceed to some of the Northern places to try what they could do there.

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Present

THE RT. WORSHIPFULL ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN BRADDYLL ESQR. MR. STEPHEN LAW.

The just Apprehensions of our want of rice to support the Garison, the rains requires a speedy resolution to prevent that impending Calamity & after consideration Seriously thereupon we conceive it as the only means necessary, on this melancholy occasion to write the Vicar of Tellicherry to engage his going to Mangallore wth. the Chiefs Letter to that Govr. to permit us having a Supply of 4 or 500 bales at least for our Support this being present & the Padre thro' his knowledge in those parts having a pretty good sway wth. the people we hope to succeed and therefore agree to write to the Gentlemen at Tellicherry to furnish the Padre wth. a good boat, & two Soldiers & deliver him 1500 Dollars to pay for the rice provided it can be got us, also to empower his giving the Govr. such a present as he shall think necessary to induce his Compliance wth. our request wch. wth. the two thousand five hundred Dollars sent before we judge will be sufficient to support our Garrisons and in a good measure the people under us [from] the rains.

ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN BRADDYLL.
STEPHEN LAW.

MONDAY 18TH.

Conformable to our foregoing Consultation we wrote the Gentlemen at TELLICHERRY as follows by a boat express as also one from the Chief to the Padre inclosing another for the Govr. of Mangallore & dispatch'd our Tellicherry Linguist wth. Suamy Putturah, to the Samorine giving him notice of our Arrival here, desiring he would forthwith repair to one of his Pallaces near Penany, & have all the money in readiness for our receiving it at the Interview wch. should be whenever he pleas'd on the first notice, at the same time directing the Linguist to prepare some place or other Conveniently Scituated for our going & Coming to the Samorine.

To MESSRS. JOHN JOHNSON, WILLIAM FORBS,
HUGH HOWARD, & WILLIAM JOHNSON.

GENTLEMEN

We arriv'd here this noon & are sending away people to adjust our meeting the Samorine.

The extraordinary want of rice at Mangallore we are inform'd of by Advices lately from thence, that we fear there will be great difficulty for our people to obtain a lading for the Munchua's sent on our Honble. Masters Accot; We understand they are Arriv'd there, but have been oblig'd to proceed to some of the Northern Ports thro' an Impediment laid by the Canatick King to give no Supplies to any one, & the Portuguese are Capable of getting near their quantity requir'd for the lading the Vessels, We have been Considering Seriously how to Surmount or Alleviate these impending misfortunes & in fine Conceive it the only means proper to send the Vicar of Tellicherry to Mangallore wth. the Chiefs Letter to the Govr. there, pressing him to permit our having our 4, or 5000 bales at least for the maintainance of our Garrisons & for this purpose you will receive inclos'd a Letter to the Padre who as we doubt not will readily go away, We desire therefore he may [have] 1500 Dollars deliver'd him to pay for an Additional quantity of rice, & for the better security two good Soldiers in a large Toney to be dispatch'd wth. all expedition by this boat, pray advice us of your proceedings herein. We are

GENTLEMEN
Yr. very humble Servts.
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN BRADDYLL.
STEPHEN LAW.

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TUESDAY 19TH. The Weather appearing Stormy we wrote a Letter to Captn. Reeves to stand out wth. the Victoria as far as he thought necessary, to come in again when it is over to take us on board. On taking a Survey of this Factory we find it in a very decay'd Condition & Unless speedily repair[ed] will undoubtedly fall.

Dº. die. Rec'd an Answer from Capt. Reeves that finding the wind Southerly & the Weather looking suspicious he had stood out a little & desires our farther orders for his proceedings provided it should (as he apprehends it will) that the Sea runs high & it proves unsafe for the Vessel to Continue at Anchor, To wch. We agreed to Answer as follows.

To CAPTN. WILLIAM REEVES.

SR.

Dº. die. We have rec'd yours & altho' we have no reason to believe any extraordinary bad weather will happen yet we think proper to direct you, that if it should you stretch out to Sea & use the best means you judge proper for your Safety, for we do not intend you shall run any danger in the least; If you should be oblig'd to go out, We desire when it is fair you come in here, where you will find us or our orders for your proceeding to Penany; Pray send by this boat the money deliver'd you on board yesterday & the box wth. Matts standing in the Cabin; Let the money be buoy'd. We are

SR.
YR. affecte. friends & Servts.
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN BRADDYLL.
STEPHEN LAW.

TANNORE,
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Dº. die. This Evening rec'd a Letter from our Tellicherry Linguist who now Accommodating matters for our meeting the Samorine, he advices to have had Several Long Conferences wth. the Ministers & in fine the best terms he could prevail on them to offer was to pay down in ready money forthwith to the Chief 200,000 fanams, & to show their more willingness they propos'd delivering 6 or 7 Elephants valued at 100,000 fanams more & that the debt might be put on a good footing in future were they desirous of agreeing to pay Fanams 200,000 next year & 100,000 fanams ev'ry year after till the whole. To all this the Linguist seem'd unwilling to adhere as the ready money is but little & the after payments too tedious, then the Elephants can be of no use to us, notwithstanding all he could say, they remain'd firm to these proposals, Urging t'was not in the Samorines power to do better, but they would lay the matter again before him & advise the result wch. was approv'd of.

As to the King of Punitures Queen Mother, and Durmett Donnycarry's debts they urg'd part was employ'd for the Samorine's Service, But the main view in the Chiefs lending that money was to obtain some Considerable advantages in trade for the Honble. Company, but all this should be farther debated when the King of Puniture comes wch. will be very Speedily & for the other Loans they might easily be accommodated as being inconsiderable; The Ministers seem to desire our making the Visit 23d: & to have all our bussness done so as to take our leaves the 27th. Inst. at farthest, their feast of Booe being very near, but the Linguist assures us of more Certain advices to morrow. The Second King of Puniture in discourse wth. the Callicut Linguist seem'd vastly desirous their debt should be paid & wonderd the head King had made no progress therein, but he would immediately bring him to the Pallace & use all means possible for its being discharg'd. The Chief has likewise now had assurances in an Ola for the head King, that he would be at the Samorines Pallace & there settle things to his Satisfaction.

PNANY SATURDAY 23d. Yesterday noon rec'd advices from the Linguist that the Samorine would be ready to accept of our Visit at this place on Sunday the 24th.; we embark'd immediately on

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the Victoria & Came ashore this morning sending directly to the Principal Ministers, to come to us in order to treat on the necessary matters, but as they were w^th^. the King at a Considerable distance off, they deferr'd it till the morning.

Rec'd a Letter from the Gentlemen at Tellicherry dated the 21^st^. advising the Vicar went away for Mangalore the 20^th^. w^th^. 1,500 Dollars in a large Toney w^th^. three Soldiers for his Security, carrying also a piece of Damask to give the Gov^r^. of Mangalore if necessary. The Chief is inform'd by a Letter from his Serv^ts^. there, that 35 Corge of Rice is actually bou^gt^. at 26 & 26¼ Pagodas ℔ Corge on the Hon^ble^. Comanys Acco^t^. but had not been able to obtain Leave to get it embark'd. D^o^. die.

Notwithstanding the promises of the Samorine & Ministers to treat w^th^. us & make our Visit yesterday we could not prevail on them for either till this day when in the morning we had a long Conference w^th^. the two head Generals & the fourth pressing them for a more considerable Sum to be now p^d^. but notwithstanding our Arguments, they persisted the Samorine was unable at present to give us a larger sum for even that promis'd must be rais'd w^th^. extraordinary difficulty, however we seem'd disatisfied & desir'd they would go to the Samorine & prevail on him for more, or we could not pay our visit w^th^. that Chearfullness & Satisfaction we expected his Majesty would afford us; about noon they advis'd us, they had represented ev'ry thing, & it was the Samorines request we would as soon as possible come to him w^ch^. we comply'd w^th^. about three in the Evening, Our reception was kind & Courteous, & Assurances given the friendship hitherto existing should be maintain'd on his part & the debt fully discharg'd in time; To adjust w^ch^. the Ministers would come in the morning & he hop'd things would be settl'd to our satisfaction: After w^ch^. & the necessary Compliments past w^th^. M^r^. Adams & then w^th^. M^r^. Braddyll we took our leave & a small time after saw the King of Puniture who defer'd talking of his Affairs till to morrow. MONDAY 25

Rec'd a Letter from the Gentlemen at Tellicherry dated the 20^th^. Ins^t^. Assuring us of their advising of all things of moments that happen. D^o^. Die.

Answer'd the above Letter as follows TUESDAY 26TH.

To MESS^RS^. JOHN JOHNSON, WILLIAM FORBS,
HUGH HOWARD & WILLIAM JOHNSON.

GENTLEMEN

We rec'd yo^rs^. of the 23^d^. Ins^t^. yesterday noon just before our making the visit to the Samorine, we have hopes of receiving now 200,000 fanams & to put the whole debt on a good footing for the future; The Ministers are to be here presently to adjust ev'ry thing & by the 29^th^. we have thoughts of embarking. We are

GENTLEMEN
Y^r^. very humble Serv^ts^.
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN BRADDYLL.
STEPHEN LAW.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

ROBERT ADAMS ESQ^R^. JOHN BRADDYLL ESQ^R^. & M^R^. STEPHEN LAW. WEDNESDAY 27.

Yesterday the Principal Ministers coming was expected an immediate complyance of the promise made of 200,000 fanams concerning the payment of w^ch^. we had a long conference, urging withall the Sum was very small & that we actually requir'd more

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but notwithstanding all that we could urge, they assur'd us t'was impossible for the Samorine to advance farther now, for even to raise the present was very difficult, tho that we should speedily have & propos'd on their leaving us to set about getting it ready, that they might come to day, settle the Acco^{t}. & make the promis'd payment but altho' the Samorine wth. his Ministers have been in close Consult to this Evening we have no certainty given us of the money, nor have we seen one of them the whole day, the Season is already far advanc'd & its absolutely necessary our departure be speedy to enable our dispatching the Victoria in time & tis farther to be consider'd that if to morrow passes away wth.out doing any thing the Approaching feast of Booe will put a Stop to all affairs for some time, After seriously debating & weighing these things, We agree to send our Linguist immediatly to the Pallace to assure the Samorine our Stay can be no longer than to morrow & therefore we wait his final answer whether he will by that time comply wth. his promise or not.

ADJOURN'D.

ROBERT ADAMS
&C^{r}.
COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY 27. In pursua[n]ce of the above we accordingly dispatch'd our Linguist to the Samorine in order to deliver the message agreed on.

D°. die. At about Ten this night our Linguist return'd from the Samorine, having been admitted into his presence & was by him directed to assure us that he is here on purpose to finish our Affairs according to his promise & is now in Consult for that Intent, in the morning he would give us a Satisfactory Answer wth.out fail by his Ministers, or rather he desir'd the Linguist might be sent to him to know the result; The King of Puniture inform'd him he has at Several times insisted on the Samorines giveing positive reply whether he would accept of paying his debt as the same was contracted purely for his Service; this night he intends to remain at the Pallace in hopes of obtaining the Samorines promise for the Sum, being almost confident he will give it accordingly, & if not is resolv'd to seek other means for the discharging it.

THURSDAY 28TH. As the Smoarine yesterday desir'd our Linguist must be wth. him this morning to be inform'd of the proceedings, We accordingly sent him, but after staying a considerable time wth.out any satisfactory Acco^{t}. We therefore sent him again, as well as to discourse wth. the King of Puniture who remain'd at the Pallace pressing to have his debt transfer'd to the Samorines Acco^{t}., In the Evening the Principal Ministers came to us, but gave us certain assurances of the promis'd Sum being paid us forthwith, after many Arguments wth. them wth.out any decisive result, We agreed as the only proper means to send M^{r}. Stephen Law wth. the Linguist to the Pallace to represent to his Majesty the present delay & that as the Season is so far advanc'd we could not possibly stay any longer, therefore desir'd he would excuse Robert Adams Esq^{r}. & John Braddyll Esq^{r}. visiting him as usual to take leave, who were resolv'd to embark in the morning unless we had certain Assurances of a very Speedy Complyance in paying the money; pursuant thereto they went and were detain'd a Considerable time at the Palace while the Ministers consulted & the Samorine came out who being inform'd of the message he desir'd we would stay till to morrow for he was determin'd to send us away to our satisfaction & propos'd the Linguist might be wth. him early to know the transactions, w^{ch}. promise seeming to us genuine & having hopes likewise of Accommodating wth. the King of Puniture we accordingly think proper to stay to-morrow in Expectation of a favourable Conclusion.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

ROBERT ADAMS ESQ^{R}. JOHN BRADDYLL ESQ^{R}.
& STEPHEN LAW.

The Assurances given us by the Samorine of a full Satisfaction agreable to his promise, induc'd our Staying this day in expectation of a Complyance, but by our Linguist this Evening who has been at the Pallace for Several hours we were inform'd the head, Second, third & fourth Kings were Come to no resolution altho' they had been in Consult ever Since the morning & their feast of Booe being this night, they were all preparing to go away, of the observance thereof while we were in great Surprise at so extraordinary a proceeding Two of the Ministers wth. Suamy Putturah came to assure us by the first & Second Kings orders that ev'ry thing should be adjusted to our desire, & for that purpose altho' the feast ought to hinder it, yet they would return hither by the Evening & therefore prest our stay. The King of Puniture being likewise wth. us he represented how little success he has had wth. the Samorine notwithstanding the money borrow'd by his Predecessor was really applied for his Service in the Wars, He acknowledg'd frankly Justice oblig'd his making good the whole Sum forthwith & no inclination was wanting in him to do it, but the means is not now in his power, but he prest for going to his Pallace to perform the Aniversary rites of the deceas'd King, Assuring us of his returning to morrow at close of the Evening to give us a new bond & Assign a punctual & speedy payment; After Seriously reflecting of the strange delays in the Samorine from day to day we are at a loss how to judge of his intentions, but the Ministers possitively affirming a Considerable Sum will be paid to morrow by the Evening & Suamy Putturah giving y^{e}. Same hopes & it being also proper to put the King of Punitures debt in some way so as to render it secure if possible we agree to remain here a small time longer in hopes of doing some Service to our Hon^{ble}. Masters So as to countervail the expence this Visit has put us to, as well to be able to advise our Superiours by the Victoria what is to [be] expected in regard to these debts.

ADJOURN'D.

ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN BRADDYLL.
STEPHEN LAW.

SATURDAY 30TH. The Chief in order to press the Samorines speedy coming here wrote him an Ola this morning, representing our long Stay here, wth.out meeting wth. any Complyance from his Majesty & the Season being far advanc'd & matters of moment requiring our Attendance at Tellicherry he hop'd no farther disapointments thro' delays would happen; In Answer to this the Principal Sec^{ry}. of State came to us wth. full Assurances this Evening that his Majesty would most certainly be here early in the morning being at present out of order & before night dispatch us agreable to his promise & our Satisfaction; The Ministers likewise came & possitively affirm'd they would be here early to Settle the Acco^{ts}. & adjust the Ola's that no delay might happen to our finishing ev'ry thing by the said time.

SUNDAY 31. This morning on the Samorines coming to the Palace hereabouts we had the principal to treat on settling the Acco^{ts}. & Adjust the payments at several times after many delays under pretence of waiting for orders they seem'd willing to give an Ola for the full Sum to be discharg'd at five seperate dates, but we insisted on having the Queen Mothers, King of Puniture, & Durmet Ponnycarrees debts ingrafted, & for the Samorine to allow Interest on the Sum not complied wth. at the fix'd time, to neither of these could we prevail on them to consent, but they offer'd to allow half In^{t}. instead of the whole we demanded, then as to the 200,000 fanams w^{ch}. at first was promis'd our Linguist & Since often to our Selves they pretended all possible endeavours have been us'd to raise it but are not so lucky as to have it now ready, however we may depend that 100,000 fan^{s}. shall be p^{d}. in two or three days on our Arrival at Callicut

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& 100,000 fanams more at the same place in Seventeen days, we exprest a proper Concern at these extraordinary disappointments w^ch^. having happen['d] we hop'd they would not fail us in the speedy payment of the money promis'd & they assur'd us of a speedy Complyance.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SUNDAY 31^ST^. ROBERT ADAMS. JOHN BRADDYLL ESQ^RS^. & STEPHEN LAW.

The Season being far advanc'd & our Visit not answering our wishes & expectation grounded on the repeated assurance from the Samorine & his Ministers as fully appears by the preceeding diary it is proper we come to a resolution of going from this place in order to dispatch the Victoria in time that her return to Bombay may be render'd safe, When we strenuously reflect on the many delays we have met w^th^. here, there seems just reason to believe nothing of any importance can be transacted, especially as tis not possible for us to persuade their giving us one Ola for the whole Sum at Several payments & then Int^st^. if uncomplied w^th^. & indeed w^th^.out their doing it we conceive it best to keep those Olas now in our possession, whose Contents if taken in the literal sense require Interest on each sum at the rate of 12 ℔ C^t^. ℔ Annum till the time of discharge, w^ch^. being agreed to & finding nothing more at present can be done for our Hon^ble^. Masters Interest, We resolve on embarking tomorrow for Tellicherry & give an Acco^t^. of these proceedings to the Hon^blc^. President & Council of Bombay.

ADJOURN'D.

ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN BRADDYLL.
STEPHEN LAW.

APRIL 1^ST^. MONDAY. Notwithstanding the Samorines Ministers kept us up very late last night without coming to any Conclusion this morning on their observing we were fully resolv'd to depart they renew'd the debate concerning the Settling our Acco^ts^. & in fine many expostulations offer'd to Settle the payments in the following manner—To let the F Ola for 43407. 3 w^ch^. is the Old debt to remain still in our hands to be discounted out of our Customs without Interest on either side, To pay directly fanams 10,000 & give an Ola for 182,000 to be fully discharg'd by the end of May next ensuing & in part there of a Considerable Sum will be forthwith made good to the Chief at Callicut, This Ola to be dated this day & Interest to be allow'd at the rate of one ℔ C^t^. ℔ Mensem till fully paid all w^ch^. together w^th^. the 8000 fanams p^d^. the first Aug^st^. last makes up the Sum at 200,000 fanams promis'd ; to give another Ola for fa. 668122 : 4 to be paid at the following times on failure thereof to allow Interest one ℔ C^t^. ℔ Mensem till the payment, Viz^t^.

1729 April 1^st^. to be paid us then	.. ..	200,000 —
1730 D^o^.	.. ..	100,000 —
1731 D^o^.	.. ..	100,000 —
1732 D^o^.	.. ..	100,000 —
1733 D^o^.	.. ..	111,529 : 7
		668,122 : 04

w^ch^. together w^th^. the aforemention'd Sum Comprises the Samorines full debt to our Hon^ble^. Masters.

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Present

ROBERT ADAMS. JOHN BRADDYLL Esq^rs^.
& STEPHEN LAW.

D^o^. die. The Samorine after the extraordinary delays & disapointments to us in this negotiation being inclin'd now on our departure to settle the Hon^ble^. Comp^ys^ Acco^ts^. to prevent any misunderstandings in future & to show his intentions of discharging his debt as soon as his Circumstances will admit of, We are to take his propositions into our Serious Considerations & we reflecting that altho' the Stated times for payment are somewhat delated beyond the Liberty given us by the Hon^ble^. President & Council of Bombay, yet as Interest will be allow'd on y^e^. Sums not paid by the Samorine at the time Specified & thereby a great Curb to him, as well as that by this we Conceive he has made the best offers he Can, especially since by all our Expostulations we can bring him to no better terms Tis agreed that we Accept of the foregoing proposals (tho' with a seeming reluctancy) Since we have hopes of receiving the 182000 fanams Speedily in full, & forthwith a large part of thereof at Calicut & [as] these proceedings tend to maintain the peace & Amity always observ'd by us w^th^. the Samorine we believe it will be approv'd of by our Superiours Considering likewise the easy Terms on w^ch^. we have been able to induce the Ministers to this Complyance, of no proportion to the Liberty granted us Since our Presents will amo^t^. to no more than w^t^. has ever been usual to give on Ordinary Visits.

ADJOURN'D. ROBERT ADAMS
&C^r^. COUNCIL.

MONDAY 1^st^. Agreable to our resolution we at last w^th^. much difficulty prevail'd on the Ministers to form the Ola's mention'd in the preceeding transactions of this day, & on our taking leave of Samorine we deliver'd up those in our possession excepting that relating to the old debt, receiving of him the two new ones, According to the Contents agreed on w^ch^: are further Explain'd by the Acco^t^. Curr^t^. annext, After w^ch^. we repair'd to a Convenient dwelling near the Water side in order to embark in the morning, the Weather not permitting our going off to night.

Dr. SAMORINE RAJAH Cr.

April 15th.	To ballce of last Accot. adjusted at Callicutt this day consisting of the following Ola's Vizt.				1727 Augst. 1st. 1728 April 1	Per Contra By Cash rec'd at Callicut as ℔ last books			8000 —
						By Mr. Stephen Law for wch. he is to account			10000 —
Ola 1st.	dated 26th. Augst. 1715 an old debt wth. out Intst. ..	43407	3			By Ballance due for wch. we have Olas, to be comply'd wth. as follows Vizt.			
1	1st. Febry. 1716/7 at Intst. 1 ℔ Ct. ℔ Menm.	27500	—		Ola				
1	1st. March 1716/7 Do. ..	100,000	—		1	Dated 26th. Augst; 1715 being an Old debt wch. includes part of the Loan advanc'd for building our Callicut Factory & is to be discounted out of our own Custom. without Interest on either Side	43407	3	
1	1st. July 1717 Do. ..	100,000	—						
1	1st. Septber. 1717 Do. ..	50,000	—						
1	1st. Novber. 1718 Do. ..	98,515	8						
1	1st. Septber. 1720 Do. ..	34,664	11						
1	15 April 1727 wth. out Interest	46,761	8						
Olas 8				500,849	2				
	To Accot. Intst. arising on the above Ola's at 12 ℔ Ct. ℔ Añ: Vizt								
	On 27500 allow'd according to the Country Custom to be doubl'd & after that Interest to Cease	27,500	—						
	On 100,000 Do. ..	100,000	—						
	on 100,000 Do. ..	100,050	—						
	on 50,000 Do. ..	50,000	—						
	on 98515· 8 Do. ..	98,515	8						
	on 34664.11 wch. is not yet doubl'd but nevertheless allow'd so ..	34,664	11	410,680	5				
	410680. 5			911,529	7				
						1 Dated April 1st. 1728 to be paid without fail by the end of May next ensuing & Interest to be allow'd from the date thereof & even forthwith a considerable part to be discharg'd at Callicutt	182000	—	
						1 Dated April 1st. 1728 for Callicut fanams 668122. 4 to be discharg'd at the following times; on failure thereof to allow Interest 1 ℔ Ct. ℔ Mensem from the time fix'd till payment Vizt.			
						3			
						April the 1st. 1729 to be pd. then	200,000	—	
						1730 Do. Do. ..	100,000	—	
						1731 Do. Do. ..	100,000	—	
						1732 Do. Do. ..	156,592	11	
						1733 Do. Do. ..	111,529	7	
							668122	4	
							893529	7	
						Callicut fans.	911529	7	

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ERRORS EXCEPTED

℔ ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN BRADDYLL.
STEPHEN LAW.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

ROBERT ADAMS. JOHN BRADDYLL Esq^rs^. & STEPHEN LAW.

MONDAY 1ST. The Samorines Ministers on our departure haveing offer'd a Considerable Sum of money to be paid forthwith at Callicutt in part of the Ola for 182,000 fanams, & that Governour requesting the Chief would be there to receive it, We hold it absolutely necessary to Secure the Same, & that some of us attend there for some time to Expedite the recovery thereof, M^r^. Adams taking upon him to use his utmost endeavours herein & Considering how much his experience in the Country exceeds ours, T'is agreed on this Occasion that he disembarks there to facilitate this affair & that M^r^. Stephen Law remain w^th^. him for his assistance, & it being highly proper the Victoria should be dispatch'd as soon as possible, as well as that M^r^. Braddyll be Tellicherry for the better transacting the Affairs of the Settlement, 'tis Agreed he Continues on her & that we frame advices of our Transactions w^th^. the Samorine to be remitted by her w^th^. all expedition to the Hon^ble^. President & Council of Bombay, & if the weather permitts to embark on her in the morning for Callicutt.

ADJOURN'D.

ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN BRADDYLL.
STEPHEN LAW.

TUESDAY YE. 2D. This morning we embark'd on the Victoria & immediatly set sail for Callicutt giving Cap^t^. Reeves the necessary orders w^ch^. are enterd hereafter.

TO THE HON^BLE^. WILLIAM PHIPPS Esq^r^.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF HIS MAJESTY'S CASTLE & ISLAND & BOMBAY &C^a^. COUNCIL.

HON^BLE^. S^R^. & S^RS^.

In our last Addresses to your Hon^r^. &c^t^. by the Fort S^t^. George Gally we advis'd yo^r^. Hon^r^. &c^t^. what we had resolv'd to put in execution concerning the large Debt due to our Hon^ble^. Masters from the Samorine & others in his Country judging we could not have a better opportunity than while M^r^. Adams remain'd w^th^. us of Settling those Matters on some Certain footing of being recover'd in a reasonable time, & that a Visit to the Samorine was absolutely necessary to be undertaken there appearing no possibility of effecting it otherways, from the tedious delays that have been always experienc'd from his Ministers when at a distance from him, We did therefore on notice given us from the Samorine by the Ola sent us for that purpose, that he would meet us at Penany immediatly embark'd on the Victoria the 17^th^. Ultimo, & preceeded to Tannore in order to receive more certain advices from our Linguist, then at Penany what we might in reality expect from the King & his Ministers provided we should think it proper to proceed to an Interview, but they without any demurr assuring our Linguist they would infalibly pay us in ready money 200,000 fanams & Adjust our Acco^t^. to our Satisfaction, We thought it proper to proceed towards them & Arriv'd at Penany the 23^d^. & had the Ministers to wait on us the 25^th^. w^th^. whom we endeavour'd to prevail for a larger Sum, but notwithstanding our Arguments, they possitively assur'd us it would be impossible at present for the Samorine to raise more, however they promis'd to do all in their power, & on Notice being given our Visit was immediatly expected We directly went to the Pallace where after making the usual present we were rec'd with extraordinary Civilities & dismiss'd w^th^. firm promises of having ev'ry thing settled to our Satisfaction in a very short space of time but notwithstanding the many after meetings we have since had

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w^th^. the Principal Ministers, & the great delays in coming to any manner of Conclusion w^th^. us thro' the many factions prevailing at present among them, we have not been able by any means (tho' none were left by us untryd) to induce them to joyn the King of Punitures debt w^th^. that of the Mother Queens & Ponnycarrees to the Samorines or even to pay us in hand the 200,000 fanams they had so Solemnly promis'd before & after our Landing they urging the 2^d^. King & head Ministers had disagreed about their manner of raising the Same, but that the greater part thereof would infalibly be ready for us at Callicutt some time this month & the whole paid off in May.

After all this disapointment we at last urg'd them to Settle the Hon^ble^. Company's Acco^t^. So as to have it discharg'd it a Short time & the whole Sum Compromis'd in one Ola to be paid off at Certain times; to this they shew'd a willingness but insisted on a longer time than we judg'd y^r^. Hon. &c^t^. would approve off, as well as not being liable to the Charge of Int^st^. in Case of failure w^ch^. we thought necessary Strenuously to insist on as it would be a means of obliging the Samorine more Strictly to comply w^th^. the Agreement Since otherwise the Interest arising on those large Sums would swell so Considerably as to plunge him into farther difficulties of discharging them & indeed very like to an intire Impossibility of ever freeing himself from such a Load.

We had the greatest difficulty immaginable in bringing the Ministers to consent to this Article of Interest & had no way left of effecting it but by Assuming an outward resolution of leaving the Shoar in disgust w^ch^. put them into such a disorder that they at last Consented to settle the Acco^t^. as y^r^. Hon^r^. &c^t^. may please to observe by the Inclos'd Viz^t^.

They to allow us the full Interest by doubling the Amo^t^. of those Olas that have been given us for the Loans advanc'd on those terms w^ch^. make 410680 fans 5 ks. & they to take up the Six Ola's at Interest & one w^th^.out given us last year, in lieu of w^ch^. to deliver us one Ola for 182000 fanams to be fully discharg'd w^th^. out fail by the last of May ensuing, of w^ch^. a Considerable part is forthwith to be paid at Callicutt 10,000 fans. is now deliverd & allowing for the 8000 fans. paid in July last, All these together make up the promis'd sum of 200,000 fan^s^. & the said Ola for the reasons before given stands at Int^st^. one ℔ Cent ℔ Men^m^. till the time of discharge.

The other Ola's for 668122. 4. to be made good in five payments as follows & if time is exceeded to pay Int^st^. from the date each Sum becomes due Viz^t^.

1729	April 1^st^.	200,000	— fanams
1730	D°.	100,000	—
1731	D°.	100,000	—
1732	D°.	156,592	11
1733	D°.	111,529	7
		668,122	4

The aforesaid two Ola's w^th^. another for 43407 fans. 3. the old debt w^th^. out Interest w^ch^. we are to deduct out of the Annual Customs arising on the English trade at Callicutt makes up the present ballance of the Hon^ble^. Comp^ys^. Acco^t^. w^th^. the Samorine amo^tings^. to 893529. 7. all w^ch^. we hope will meet w^th^. your Hon^r^. &c^t^. Approbation more especially Since the expence we have been at on this Occasion does not exceed the usual presents made on such like Visits & bears no proportion to the Latitude your Hon^r^. &c^t^. were pleas'd to give us for bringing over the Ministers to our Int^st^.

It is not in our power to render y^r^. Hon^r^. &c^t^. any positive Assurances how far these people may comply w^th^. the forementioned Ola's, but it does appear to us from their proceedings that they would not willingly give us any disgust, however the better to secure & Effect the speedy payment of the Ola for 182000 fans. payable

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now at Callicut we have thought most for our Hon^ble^. Masters Interest that Robert Adams Esq^r^. Stephen Law repair thither & remain sometime in order to press the Ministers & put them on means of discharging the same, M^r^. Adams seeming Convenient that his presence among them there will highly facillitate this matter, We are now on our way from Penany thither from whence the Victoria will proceed w^th^. Braddyll to Tellicherry from thence to be dispatch'd w^th^. such advices as may be thought necessary touching that Settlement.

But least y^r^. Hon^r^. &c^t^. should remain in doubt concerning the payment of Puniture Rajah's & the Queen mothers debt, We do humbly make bold to assure you from the observations we have made from the extraordinary inclination appearing in them both we are far from thinking them desperate, Since they have promis'd shortly to take effectual means for their discharge, on failure of w^ch^. the Samorine hath given us his word he will interpose w^th^. his utmost Assistance. The Ponnycarree being at present under disgrace w^th^. the Samorine we esteem his debt tho' small very doubtfull untill he may [be] restor'd into favour. The day we left Tellicherry as we were on our departure the Ministers of Boyanore by his order came to Assure us that 25000 fan^s^. should be paid us in all this month & very shortly the remaining part discharg'd; we have no reason to doubt our having full satisfaction from him w^th^. in the time he promises.

We shall use our Utmost endeavours w^th^. the Prince by all prudent means to engage him to part w^th^. a Sum of ready money, but hold it not convenient to disgust him on any Acco^t^. & do crave leave to observe to y^r^. Hon^r^. &c^t^. on this head that this debt is without Interest; It cannot be very long ere we shall be able to discharge it from our own Customs.

Our Diary & Transactions from the time We left Tellicherry & during the Course of our late Negotiations w^th^. the Samorine shall be sent y^r^. Hon^r^. &c^t^. by the first Opportunity when fair transcrib'd not doubting as our best endeavours have been us'd to bring this Affair to an Agreable Isue the Same will be attended w^th^. y^r^. Hon^r^. &c^t^. favourable Interpretation for we are w^th^. highest respect.

HON^BLE^. S^R^. & S^RS^.
Y^r^. most faithfull & Obedient Servants
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN BRADDYLL.
STEPHEN LAW.

VICTORIA FRIGAT
PENANY APRIL THE 2^D^. 1728.

To CAPT^N^. WILLIAM REEVES.

S^R^.

This to order you wind & weather permitting to proceed w^th^. the Victoria to Callicut & after putting ashore Rob^t^. Adams Esq^r^. & Stephen Law there, you are to make the best of y^r^. way to Tellicherry & to follow John Braddyll Esq^r^. &c^t^. orders for y^r^. farther proceedings. We are

S^R^.
Y^r^. Affec^t^. Friends & Serv^ts^.

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ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN BRADDYLL.
STEPHEN LAW.

ARTICLES MUTUALLY AGREED ON BETWEEN US OF TELLICHERRY & MIHIE FOR THE COMMON BENEFIT OF THE COMPANYS OF ENGLAND & FRANCE & FOR THE TRANQUILLITY OF THEIR SETTLEMENTS.

Touching Curringhoda & his Country, that he remains a Common friend to both & has liberty to visit either without giving the least jealousy or distrust. 1^st^.

He shall not assemble people nor make any preparation of war without first advising us & obtaining our Consents, Notwithstanding this friendship if he should happen to have any discord w^th^. either of us, We jointly will endeavour to pacifie him, but if he should continue obstinate & persevere in his designs of molesting either, we together are oblig'd w^th^. force to quiet him, If it should happen he is inclin'd to give disturbance to any of the powers in the Country of Irrebenadu we will not permit him, & if on the Contrary they should aim at molesting him, We jointly will use means to hinder them first Amicably, but if that will not do, We agree jointly to assist Curringhoda in the manner we may judge reasonable, As we are like wise to do to Naranport Nayro, if any of these should attempt to disburb him, he at the same time not being permitted to hurt others, & if the said Naranport should happen to have any difference w^th^. Curringhoda, or the Latter w^th^. him We are to be the Arbitrators thereof, The said Curringhoda shall not make or raise Fortifications or any appearance of things offensive or defensive in any places w^ch^. may give us Suspicion or his Neighbours in Irrebenadu w^th^.out a[t] first having our permission, if he should act Contrary We will oblige him to raise such ; His Country shall be open & free to both to go & come that we may Communicate w^th^. all Security & Tranquill[it]y.

That he may be the more Inclin'd to this Union & that his Country may be the more free for our Communication he shall enjoy freely the Lands to the S°.ward & Eastward of Ponella, Putinha, Ponella Malla, & Tirimalla, According to what is Assign['d] & Lin'd out by Nicolao De L'orme & Lewis Deideir in behalf of the French Company & Robert Adams & Stephen Law in behalf of the English.

2d. If either of us should know of any designs of the Country people against any one of us, We are oblig'd to give notice thereof to each other, & thereby prevent the Evil Intentions of the Country people, neither of us can war w^th^. Curringhoda seperately but must do it Jointly or w^th^. the Consent of each other & even not then till we have us'd all ways possible for a pacification ; Neither of us can assist Curringhoda directly or Indirectly w^th^. men, Artillery, Powder, Shot, Rice or money, nor even w^th^. advice against each other, but rather must prevent his giving any disturbance.

3d. To prevent the evil of desertion of whatever nation either white, or black or even Serv^ts^. or Slaves, we reciprocally are oblig'd to deliver them up again whenever requir'd on Pardon granted but Criminals on both sides are to be protected.

4th. We for the common benefit of each other do agree to settle the price of Pepper as often as shall be thought necessary & that neither the one or the other shall break the price w^th^.out giving previous notice thereof, nor yet raise it w^th^.out the mutual knowledge of each other.

5th. That as Curringhoda has given his power to the French of Mihie to treat of his Affairs w^th^. the English & now not being satisfied w^th^. the ground we have allotted him, nor the other things design'd for his benefitt in the Articles ; he shall not therefore enjoy for the present those lands promis'd in the Agreement but we will not molest him however in any wise, nay rather agree to give him Liberty to enter when he will into the engagement according to the manner set down, thô if he should presume upon his disatisfaction to molest one or both of us, we jointly will hinder him, & if he thereby Occasions us Charges, In such case we together will consider on what terms to admit him.

These Articles were approv'd & Accepted on the part of the Royal Company of France by Mess^rs^. Nicolao de L'orme, Lewis Deideir &c^t^. & by Mes^rs^. Rob^t^. Adams & Stephen Law &c^t^. on the part of the English Company, but Whereas it was thought Convenient by the English first to obtain the Approbation of the Hon^ble^. President & Council of Bombay, It is agreed in the Interim the said Articles be observ'd & Adhered to w^th^. the utmost strictness. Sign'd in Tellicherry the 9^th^. March 1727/8.

ROBERT ADAMS. DE L'ORME.
STEPHEN LAW. DEIDEIR.

By Virtue of the Powers given to the English of Tellicherry from the Hon^ble^. President & Council of Bombay & to the French of Mihie from the General &c^t^. of Pondicherry, It is agreed that the foregoing Articles w^th^. the Subsequent Explications shall be executed & hereafter observ'd w^th^. the utmost Strictness & regard.

That the foregoing agreement shall be firmly observ'd on both sides w^th^.out committing the minutest Violence or Insult directly or indirectly to the Forts or Factory's of either on shore nor to the Vessells of each other w^th^in sight of the Colours of Tellicherry & Mihie notwithstanding there should be a War between our Crowns in Europe unless either of our Comp^ys^. order the Contrary & if so immediatly notice shall be given thereof. 1st.

For the better explanation of the fourth Article in the foregoing Treaty touching the price of pepper, 'tis reciprocally understood that we Consult each other as often as is necessary before any Considerable purchase is made that the price thereby may be lessn'd as much as possible for the Common benefit of both Comp^ys^. Sign'd in Moylan Fort 17^th^. April 1728. 2dly.

De L'orme	John Braddyll.
Deideir	Stephen Law.
Tremesott	William Forbs.
Louet	John Johnson.
Darncry	Hugh Howard.
S^t^. Martin	William Johnson.
Finiel	

Par Le Conseil

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SUPPLEMENT

[The following matter was obtained from the India Office to fill up the *lacunae* in the original volume.]

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[*Read the following before the Consultation dated 3rd. Sepr. on page* 122.]

& in a small time after his returning the Boat, He came along on our side with his ship & asked if he should send an officer on board the Brigantine; I desired Mr. Liebaut who speaks French to tell him I did not know his meaning, But he answer'd him there was no occasion, he then shot ahead, brought too, and sent his Longboat full of men, which put & left on board the Brigantine Monsr. Billey his 2d Captain, one of his Mates & four Centinels, I ask'd Monsr. Billey what he came on board for, he deliver'd me his Pistols & told me Captain Marcay had sent him to see we kept Company with his ship the Expedition to the Isle of Bourbon. I told him I was not bound thither & if he oblig'd me to go out of my way, the Risque of the Vessel & Cargo must be on his account, He said he had nothing to answer for & that he only came as he was commanded & produced his written order from Captain Marcay for the same, telling me he had refused to obey his verbal one. All that night the Expedition kept very near us, And the next morning seeing they were resolv'd to carry me against my will out of my way to the Isle of Bourbon I sent a Protest against the said Captain Peter Marcay on board the Expedition, Copy whereof is hereunto subjoin'd. Notwithstanding which he forcibly carried us to the Isle of Bourbon, where before our Anchoring I was carried ashore in a Boat which brought Soldiers off, & went to Monsr. Dumas the Chief's House, but he being in the Mountains, I saw only five of the Council with whom I supped in his House & shew'd unto the Second my Pass, who handed it to the rest, & Monsr. Villermoy the third said then it was Counterfeited. The next morning Monsr. Pierre Benoisto came home, to whom I then delivered another Protest against the said Captn. Peter Marcay, together with a Petition for redress (Copies of which are hereunto Subjoin'd), but before he would read them, He demanded my Pass, which upon my producing he took from me & carried it with my other papers into the Consultation Room & as I understood him in Portugueeze He told me he should have all imaginable right done me, as likewise satisfaction made me for my loss of time in being brought out of my way, & soon after assembled the Council & went in to Consultation & continued there about two hours before he came out, at which time he told me he was heartily sorry for what had happen'd therein, for that contrary to his Inclination the Council had agreed to seize upon the Amity Brigantine & her Cargo, I ask'd him whether it was Peace or War between our nations, he answer'd me Peace. I then desired to know by what Power they did it, & what were their reasons for so doing, He said their Company had sent out orders by their last shipping that if any Vessel should come from India to these their Islands & Trade, let them be of whatsoever Nation they must seize them for their Account and that they would be answerable for their so doing. I told him that I had not disposed of any Merchandize at either of their Islands, therefore the Company's orders did not empower them to seize upon the Brigantine as they had determin'd And that if he would please to remember that before he went into Consultation he promis'd I should have all imaginable right done me as likewise satisfaction made me for my loss of time, in being brought out of my way, But proceeding in the manner they did without giving me any better reasons than saying it was the Company's Orders, could not be accounted such, for I had not disposed of any Merchandize, And it was not reasonable to think their Company would empower them to seize upon all Foreign shipping that thro' distress were obliged to come there, But on the contrary to assist them, was according to articles between our Nations; He desired I would not think he was in any respect a Promoter of it, for he had endeavour'd what he could to the contrary, But as the Council were unanimous against him, it did not lay in his Power alone to make it otherwise, for if it was I should not have met with this trouble for coming, I told him that he as well as they knew I did not come of my own accord, but was brought against my Will, though I did not foresee wherein it was a trespass if I had; For till now these Islands had admitted to Trade Shipping of all Nations, if the Company's orders came so lately to the contrary all foreigners as yet must be strangers to them, therefore it would be but just dealing first to give them Intelligence of their design, otherwise

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it was impossible for Merchants to know but they might safely send their shipping as before & that I myself had been here before & sold my Cargo to the Government for for account of the Company, & agreed with them for another Cargo which Captain Martin who was my Chief Mate afterwards brought them & took their Bills of Exchange for it upon the Government of Pondicherry & since that he had made another Voyage hither & dispos'd of most of his Cargo, to which at that time he made me no answer, but afterwards said the Council objected against my Pass, believing it was Counterfeited & asked me how there came to be different hand writings in it & why it was not signed by the Council, as well as the Governour, I answer'd him, the giving Commissions & Passes belong'd to the Governour only among the English, and as for their being different hand writings in it, It was common in most Passes from India, occasion'd by the Secretary's keeping by them passes ready wrote with vacancys left for the Vessels & Commanders names & whither bound, which were filled up as they were wanted by any of the Assistants in the Office, & to satisfy him of the verity of the same I shew'd him several old Passes I had by me, some of which were alike, of this he acquainted the Council who said they were not obliged to believe me or any writings which had so much room for suspicion & deliver'd me an order to go on board the Brigantine with two of the Council & see the Cargo deliver'd. I laid down the order & told them I would not go on board on any other Account than to proceed on my voyage, they then oblig'd my Mate Mr. Liebaut to take an account of what goods went out of the Vessel and direct his notes to me; And accordingly they began forthwith to land the Cargo and brought some part of it ashore, together with my Scrutoire, whereupon two of the Council came to me & said I must go with them to the Magazine & open it, for they wanted my Invoice, saying I could have it in my power then to say there were more Goods in the Vessel than in reality there were. I refused to go telling them they had no business with my Papers, But afterwards upon their declaring to me that they were determined to break it open if I persisted in my refusal to deliver it to them, I open'd my Scrutoire & they took out my Invoice & all other Papers belonging to me of that year's date. It was now on or about the 12th of December when the Inhabitants were of opinion the Hurricane was coming, which is usual at this time of the year. Whereupon the Ship & Brigantine by them were immediately order'd to sea, & were absent till on or about the thirtieth of January following. In the Interim I often discours'd with Mons^{r}. Dumas about my returning with my People into India, telling him if he made a Calculation he would find it would be less charge to the Company to let us have the Brigantine to return upon than to keep us here at so great an expence as they must be at to maintain us in Provisions & Wages, and made a calculate to him of the difference, of which he acquainted the Council, but they were against his letting me have the Brigantine, saying they could not answer to the Company keeping the Effects & not the Vessel, Besides they had occasion for themselves to send to Madagascar a Slaving, I said she was not at all proper for that voyage, besides they had not seamen to send in her, the Lascars wanting to return into India, & if they could perswade them to go, they must put on board besides twenty or thirty soldiers which would be as many people as could conveniently find room on board her, they promised to consider further about it and to let me know their minds when their shipping arriv'd from India. In the month of February I was credibly inform'd that part of the Amity's Cargo was sold at the following rates to the Inhabitants.

Sugar China	at 70 dollars per Candy
Soap	50 d°. per d°.
Sugar Candy	100 d°. per d°.
Sugar Java	50 d°. per d°.
Sallampores blue	80 per Corge
Rice	6 per cwt.
Chints	15 per Patch
Sooseys	7 per Piece.
Tea	2 dollars per lb.

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Pepper	30 Sous per lb.
Pipes	1 dollar per dozen
Arrack	1 d°. per Gallon
Beer	1 d°. per d°.
Laced Hats	9 dollars each
Plain d°.	7
Corks	5 dollars per gross.

In March arriv'd three Ships from India upon which they had a Consultation, the Commander & the other three Captains taking place next but two to the Governour; these did not approve their having seized upon the Brigantine as they could not prove I had dispos'd of any Merchandize upon the Shore, the others as I was told said it was agreeable to the Company's orders as we were design'd for that Port & afterwards produced my Mate Manuel Liebaut's Journal wherein was wrote in French, Invoice of Goods bought at Madrass for Don Mascarine, & asked me how he came to write that if he was not design'd here, I said I was not in any respect answerable for my Mate's writings and that they knew the Head of the Owner's Invoice was otherwise besides that this was not an Objection when they first seized upon the Brigantine, they afterwards brought out the Pass asking the Commodore & Captains if they did not think it Counterfeited, & why there should be different Hand writings in it, this they asked me again & I gave them the reasons as above mention'd, At the conclusion they said the Pass might be true but as there was so great room for Suspicion, they were not oblig'd to believe so, & that was all the pretention they had of any right for what they had done. After this Captain Peter Marcay put into Council a Declaration that when I was at the Isle of France I endeavour'd to entice away the soldiers from thence in order to take his ship the Expedition, and said he could bring Proof of the same. Upon which I wrote the following Petition & put into Council.

To Mons^{r}. Dumas Benoit, Director General for Affairs of the Royal Companie of France & Governour of the Isle of Bourbon &c^{a}. the Council.

The Petition of John Widdrington

Humbly Sheweth

That Captain Peter Marcay Commander of the ship Expedition has reported that when your Petitioner was at the Isle of France he endeavour'd to entice away the soldiers there by offering them thirty rupees each in order to take his ship from him, so far to the contrary I am ready to give my Oath that during my stay at that Island I was not at most above three hours on the shore & in no other House but the Chief's in company with Messrs. Saint Martin, Bruce, &c^{a}. officers of the King's and the said Captain Peter Marcay into which I humbly entreat your further enquiry, & that Captain Peter Marcay & your Petitioner be brought before the Council & he obliged to prove if he can what he has reported, This if granted will be esteemed a favour by,

Gentlemen,
your most humble & submissive Petitioner
John Widdrington.

I was not permitted so much as once before the Council to vindicate myself but had my Answer as always before from Mons^{r}. Du Mas who told me that Captain Marcay's report had been found false & that he would give me a Copy of his Declaration and sign it himself as such, And that evening they had another Consultation wherein they broke Captain Peter Marcay from the command of the Expedition & sent for my Mate & offer'd him it, but he refus'd to accept of it without they would allow him two thousand Dollars to carry her to Europe. About the middle of March I wrote the following letter.

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To Mons^{R}. Dumas Benoit

Director General for the Affairs of the

Royal Company of France &c^{A}. Council.

Gentlemen,

Whereas for reasons to me unknown ye have thought proper to seize upon the Brigantine & her Cargo I hope ye will take into your Considerations to find a Conveyance for me & my People into India, the Season growing late so that by any longer stay we shall loose the opportunity of making any voyage this year, therefore as the Amity Brigantine lays useless in your Road I desire we may have her to return upon to our respective Homes, otherwise that you will be pleas'd to let us know what dependance we may have for being longer detain'd & what recompense will be made us for the loss of so much time. I am Gentlemen,

&c^{A}.

The morning following Mr. Dumas told me he would deliver me the Brigantine if he could think of any method to clear himself to the Company for so doing, and further said that he believ'd if I spoke to the Commodore & Captains I should find them inclinable to assist me that way, & for his part when it was mov'd in Council he would say that she was only an expence to the Company & he did not know what to do with her, I accordingly talk'd to the Commodore & Captains, and told them the Circumstances of the Affair from the Beginning & they with seeming sincerity promis'd me their Interest to procure me the Brigantine to return upon & that Evening they sat a long time in Consultation after which Mr. Dumas asked me aside what the Commodore & Captains had said to me concerning the Brigantine, I told him they promis'd their Interest to procure her for me, He then said that they were the only persons who were against it, telling him that he could not answer it to the Company to let me have her on any other terms than buying her, but that they would make the price of her very reasonable, I ask'd what that would be, He said a thousand Pagodas was as little as they could answer to let her go for, and that if they pull'd her to pieces her stores would sell for double that sum, I said that I could not answer to buy her at that rate & that he well knew how such like vessels sold in India, he said again I must not think her dear if I had her for that sum for I was very much favour'd in the price which if I lik'd and would pay for her here, I might proceed to India when I pleas'd, but that they could not answer to let the Company run any risque for the Payment ; I told him they must keep her unless they would let me have her for half the money they ask'd ; Mr. Dumas afterwards told me apart not to be uneasie about her for that when the Shipping are gone he would if possible satisfye me.

There being no certainty of a Ship arriving from France this year so that I could not depend upon any conveyance to return upon to India, I agreed to pay six hundred pagodas for the Brigantine, which money was made good to them before I sail'd. At this time they call'd me into Council, whereas before notwithstanding they took the Brigantine & Cargo from me, as before related, I was never admitted personally to urge anything in my own behalfe before the Governour & Council or in any Court of Justice there, not even when Captain Marcay had charged me with Pyracy, nor was I once call'd upon about it, unless it were about three months after their seizing the Vessel when they deliver'd me some French Papers said to be the Proceedings thereon, requiring an answer to them in three days, but I not understanding French perfectly could not return an answer to it.

After having bought the Brigantine I asked Mr. Dumas for my Pass to return with, on which he told me it was sent to France but afterwards gave me another sign'd by himself.

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This is a true relation of what came to my knowledge concerning the seizure of the said Brigantine Amity & Cargo & what pass'd thereon during my stay at the Isles of France and Bourbon.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
Jurat coram nobis, JOHN WIDDRINGTON.
29TH AUGUST 1728.

JAMES MACRAE.
GEO: MORTON PITT.
ROBERT SYMONDS.
JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SAMUEL HYDE.

I John Widdrington Commander of the Brigantine Amity do Protest against Captain Peter Marcay Commander of the French Company's ship the Expedition for his treatment to me upon the sea different to the articles of peace agreed upon between the Nations of England & France &c^{a}. Allies.

Whereas I the said John Widdrington subject of His Majesty King George being bound on a Trading Voyage to Mozambique and the Mallabar Coast by virtue of a Pass granted me by the Hoñble James Macrae Esq^{r}. President & Governour of Fort St. George and in my way wanting water and refreshment for myself and People, touched at the north west Harbour of Mauritius and was there in a friendly manner supply'd by Monsieur St. Martin Chief for Affairs of the Royal Company of France, which as soon as I had compleated with leave of the said Mons^{r}. St. Martin went on board my vessel & immediately weigh'd Anchor in order to proceed on my voyage, but was prevented by Captain Peter Marcay in the manner following.

On Tuesday December the 5th O.S. 1727, At about 10 A.M. my Anchor being up was steering out of the N. W. Harbour of Mauritius at which time Capt^{n}. Peter Marcay fired from the Expedition between my Masts, I being a stranger to the meaning of it & knowing our Nations were at peace, ventur'd to send my Boat to Enquire, which he kept six hours on board his ship, Notwithstanding all that time I made a Signal for her, And when he returned her it was with an Answer That we must stay & go to Mascarine along with him, and presently after ranged along our side with his ship and call'd to me to know whether he should send an Officer on board the Brigantine. My Mate answered him there was no occasion. Nevertheless he sent his Longboat full of People & Boarded my Vessel, leaving on board against my Will Monsieur Billey his Second Captain, a Mate & four Centinels. I the said John Widdrington being upon an honest and lawfull account and not knowing what may be the Consequence of this his Treatment, Do Protest against the said Captain Peter Marcay and declare before my Officers that the Brigantine and her Cargo is at his Risque wholly till I have satisfaction made me for his so doing.

Given under my Hands & attested by my Officers.

IN THE NAME OF OUR SOVEREIGN LORD GEORGE KING OF GREAT BRITAIN, SCOTLAND, FRANCE AND IRELAND, DEFENDER OF THE FAITH

I John Widdrington Commander of the Brigantine Amity Do Protest against Captain Peter Marcay Commander of the French Ship the Expedition now in St. Paul's Bay for his treatment to me upon the Sea different from the Articles of Peace agreed upon between the Nations of England and France &c^{a}. Allies.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1728* —

Whereas I the said John Widdrington Native of England and subject of His Maje[s]ty King George being bound on a trading voyage to Mozambique and the Mallabar Coast by Vertue of a Pass Granted me by the Honble James Macrae Esq[r]. President & Governour of Fort St. George &c[a]. & wanting water and refreshment for myself and People touch'd in my way at N. W. Harbour of Mauritius, not doubting of a supply from the French Gentlemen residing there. Upon my arrival they fired a shot at me from the Shore. upon which Captain Peter Marcay Commander of the Expedition sent his Boat with his second Captain to acquaint me that the meaning of it was for me to go ashore & that he should be glad of my company if I would go along with him in his Boat, I sent his Officer back to thank him & acquaint him that I was not then ready, but would soon follow him in my own, and accordingly went, Address'd myself to the Chief and at his request produc'd my Pass in the presence of the King's Lieutenant the Guardian of the Magazine and Captain Peter Marcay who were all well satisfyed therewith and Monsieur St. Martin the Chief told me I should have a supply of water and whatsoever refreshment I had occasion for, but I must not have any dealings with the Inhabitants on the Shoar, I then promis'd him I would not & have comply'd with my Word. At that time I took leave in order to return to my Vessel, then Captain Marcay desired I would accompany him on board his ship to supper and there told me that he wanted to buy a few necessarys to carry with him to France & that he would come on board the Brigantine before she sail'd in order thereto; He accordingly came & enquired for Metchlepatam Handkerchiefs, Nillaes, Cotton stockings, and several other things which I could not presently get at, they being in the Bottom of the Vessel, therefore desired his Excuse, he then desired to see some Chints, Ginghams, Wax Candles, fine Longcloth, Cuttanees and Soosies. All which I shew'd him but could not agree about the prices, he saying that he could buy them cheaper in France than what I rated them at, He bought one piece of Soosies of me for six Dollars, some Cotton stockings of my Mate & return'd on board his ship. The next morning having made an end of filling my water, I went on shore, took leave of Mons[r]. St. Martin the Chief who cautioned me not to sail in company with the Expedition, and accordingly weigh'd in order to make the best of my way for Mozambique, but before I could get out of the Harbour, Captain Marcay fired from the Expedition a shot between my Masts, I being a stranger to the meaning of it when knowing our Nations were at Peace sent my Boat to enquire, which he detain'd above six hours on board his ship, notwithstanding all that time I made a signal for her, And presently after his returning her, ranged along our side with his ship, & call'd to know whether he should send an officer on board the Brigantine, My Mate answer'd him there was no occasion, notwithstanding He at that time sent his Long boat full of People and put on board the Brigantine Monsieur Billey his Second Captain, a Mate and four Centinels, who commanded on board in all respects as if by right they were possessors thereof. This is not Customary treatment from any Friend nor allowable as our Nations are at Peace. I therefore do Protest against the said Captain Peter Marcay and declare that the Brigantine Amity & her Cargo &c[a]. appurtenances amounting to Fifteen thousand Pagodas is altogether at the Risque of the said Captain Peter Marcay Commander of the Expedition belonging to the Royal Company of France and now riding at Anchor in St. Paul's Bay off the Island Mascarine or Bourbon, And I most humbly address myself to Monsieur Dumas Benoist, Director General of the Islands of Bourbon & France to Grant me justice for this his unlawfull treatment.

Given from under Mine and my Officers' Hands and presented to Mons[r]. Du Mas Benoist, Director General for Affairs of the Royal Company of France and Governour of the Isle of Bourbon.

From on board the Brigantine Amity, Dec[r]. 6th. 1727.

I John Collins of the East Indies Mariner Aged Thirty five years Do make Oath that being Employ'd by Messieurs Charles Barrington and Samuel Parkes as

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Second Mate of the Brigantine Amity under the Command of Captain John Widdrington, did sail from this port of Madrass on the 15th of October 1727 in the said Vessel bound on a Trading Voyage to Mozambique & the Coast of Africa, that in our Passage thither wanting water we put into Port Louis in the Isle of France for a Supply where we arriv'd on or about the 2d of December following—there was just then arriv'd also the French Company's ship the Expedition—soon after we had Anchor'd a Shot was fired from the Shore & the French ship's Boat came on board us, Captain Widdrington then went on shore to get leave for Wood & Water & returned on board again that Evening, the next day our Boat went for Water & took in two Soldiers who continued in her all the while she was watering the Vessel as a Guard to prevent her running any Goods on shore. While we stayed here several Officers of the French ship Expedition came on board us, but not understanding the French language I know not what they said. I have since heard they bought a few necessarys on board us. What they were I know not, but they could only be small matters for I never observ'd anything of Bulk carried out of the Vessel while she lay there, as indeed such could not have escaped my knowledge. I understand this was alledged by the Government of Mascarine as one of the reasons for their seizure of said Vessel, Also that Mr. Liebaut our Chief Mate had carried some Goods out of our Vessel on board the French ship, but of this neither can I affirm anything particularly except one day when Captain Widdrington was absent from our Vessel Mr. Liebaut went on board the French ship & carried away with him a Cloak under his Arm, in which some of our People afterwards inform'd me he had conveyed a few pieces of Cloth, that day our Longboat was detain'd on shore at the Watering place by a violent Squall of Wind & Rain and did not return till Midnight, before which time a Boat from the Shore came on board us with several Soldiers who enter'd the vessel with Muskets in their Hands. It being my Watch upon Deck I acquainted the Captain of it & they went down into the Cabin & staid below with our Captain a little while, but what passed between them I cannot say, because I return'd to my Watch immediately. The next morning our Captain & our chief Mate went on shore, & on their return brought an order for all the French soldiers who were put on board us in the manner above mention'd to leave her, Whereupon they together with their Officers went on board the French ship, & we immediately weigh'd our Anchor & got under sail, but before we got out of the Harbour the said French ship Fired a Shot at us, on which we anchor'd again & sent our Boat with Nicholo our Carpenter on board the said ship to know the meaning of it, Whom they detain'd for some hours although we made a signal for her return & staid only for her. By the time she return'd our Boat she got under sail, came alongside of us & sent her own Boat with two Officers & four Armed men on board us, who oblig'd us to keep Company with her to Mascarine, Where before we came to an Anchor a Boat with Soldiers from the Shore came on board us & forced the Captain to go ashore in her. After which Monsieur Billey, one of the French Officers who took the Command of the Vessel upon him, brought us to an Anchor in St. Paul's Bay & sent our Gunner a Prisoner aboard the French ship. There came off two Gentlemen from the Shore who order'd our Cargo to be landed, which was accordingly done as fast as possible, but the Hurricane coming on the said French Gentlemen after sealing the Hatches went on Shore and both vessels put out directly to Sea & Mr. Billey carried us to Mauritius, On our arrival there they struck our yards and topmasts and sent our sails ashore, & took an account of everything on board and Marked them, which together with the People's Chests were all put down the Hold & the Hatches sealed, but afterwards on searching them & finding no Goods in them they gave 'em them back, but took out of mine two and twenty Pieces of Gingham & four pieces of Challoes for which they afterwards allow'd me fifty per cent on Madrass Cost & paid me for in Copper money together with my arrears of Wages, all which I return'd them for a Bill on the Governour & Council of Pondicherry which I have since received by the hands of Padre Thomas. We staid at Mauritius some time and then return'd in company with the Expedition to Mascarine, where they unloaded everything.

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This is a true Account of what happen'd to our Vessel at the Isles of France & Bourbon. Given in by me this 29th day of August 1728 having Signed to Two Affidavits of this Tenour & Date.

JOHN COLLINS.

Jurat coram nobis
29TH AUGUST 1728.

JAMES MACRAE.
GEORGE MORTON PITT.
ROBERT SYMONDS.
JOHN ROACH.
RANDALL FOWKE.
SAMUEL HYDE.

I Gaspar de Monte Native of Madrass aged thirty eight years Do make Oath that being Employed by Messrs. Charles Barrington & Samuel Parkes as Gunner on board the Amity Brigantine under the command of Captain John Widdrington did sail from the Port of Madrass about the middle of October last on a voyage to the Coast of Africa, That in our way thither wanting Water we touched at Mauritius and anchor'd in the North West Harbour of the said Island where arriv'd also just before a French Ship. Soon after our Anchoring a Shot was Fired from the Shore, when a boat came on board us from the aforesaid French ship & our Captain went on shoar in his own boat, he return'd soon after & order'd me to go in the Longboat next morning for Water, but first to go on shore & take in two Soldiers which I accordingly did & return'd in the afternoon with water having the two Soldiers in the Boat with me, who continued all the while we were Watering and every Trip she made, the night before we came away having these two soldiers yet with me, we were detain'd on shore by a violent squall of wind and Rain, so that it was Midnight before we were able to reach our vessel when to my great surprize I found several soldiers upon the Deck. I asked Mr. Liebaut our Chief Mate the reason, who told me he did not know but supposed the Governour had sent them off to prevent our Trading. The next morning our Captain and Mr. Liebaut went ashore, & on their return they brought an order for the soldiers to leave the vessel, & they accordingly left us and went on board the French ship in our Boat. We immediately got under Sail to proceed on our Voyage but had not got out of the Harbour before the said French ship Fired a Shot at us. Captain Widdrington asked Mr. Liebaut what that meant, who said he could not tell but supposed something was the matter, that they wanted us to come to an anchor again, the Captain reply'd he was upon the Rocks & could not, & then Mr. Liebaut proposed to send our boat on board the French ship to enquire into it, in which Nicholo our Carpenter & four others went & were detain'd on board by them, so that we were obliged to come to an Anchor again, Nor did they return her before late in the Evening although we made a signal for her most part of the time & staid only for her, As soon as they had freed the Boat, the French ship herself got under sail & came up with us before we could well purchase our Anchor whereupon her Captain asked us whether he should send us any assistance, Captain Widdrington answer'd he had no occasion having hands enough on board, but however before we could put the Vessel under weigh the said French ship's boat came on board us with the Second Captain, another Officer & four soldiers. I asked some of the soldiers what they came for & they told me to see we kept company with the ship to Mascarine. And some time after their Entering the Brigantine I saw the said Officer last above mention'd by order of the said second Captain take the Helm forcibly from one of our People named Ventura who was at that time appointed to steer our said vessel, the Ship outsail'd us & got into Port at Mascarine while we lay considerably out in the Offing, & in the night time it being very dark we overshot the Port to the southward, but having Lights out astern the French ship discovered them & forthwith put out again after us. The next morning there was very little wind, but about nine the French ship Tacked & Mr. Billey order'd our

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Vessel to be put about at the same time which Captain Widdrington refused to do saying our Port was ahead and that he had no business at Mascarine, And hereupon a Dispute arose till at last Mr. Billey order'd two of his soldiers to present their pieces to our People, which obliged some of them to go into the Longboat in order to tow her about. Soon after this & before we came to an anchor at Mascarine they sent me a prisoner aboard the French ship where I continued a day & a night, and was then returned back on board our vessel to help to unload her, where I met two French Gentlemen who took an account of everything as it went on shore, they used at night after sealing the Hatches to go ashore & come off again early next Morning. In a day or two the Fort gave a signal of the approach of the Hurricane so that these Gentlemen sealed the Hatches and hastened ashore, and we immediately put out to Sea together with the French ship who slipped her cable. We met with very bad weather in our passage but got safe to Mauritius where our vessel was unrigged and our sails sent ashore, and some Gentlemen came on board us who took an exact account of everything we had on board putting their Marks likewise upon them, Which together with all the Chests belonging to our People they put down in the Hold & sealed the Hatches, but about two days afterwards they examin'd our Chests & finding only Cloathes in them, they return'd them back to us. After some stay here we return'd to Mascarine in Company with the Expedition, where the French took everything out of the Vessel.

This is a true Account of what happen'd to our Vessel at the Isles of France and Bourbon, And given in by me this 26th August 1728.

Jurat coram me, GASPAR DE MONTE.
AUGUST 26TH 1728.

RANDALL FOWKE
Just:

MEMD.

THE FOLLOWING DEPOSITION WAS DELIVER'D IN, IN THE PORTUGUESE LANGUAGE, OF WHICH THIS IS A TRANSLATION.

I Nicolo Pasqual Native of Manilha, aged thirty five years do make Oath that being Imprested as Ship Carpenter aboard the Amity Brigantine under the Command of Captain John Widdrington, I did accordingly sail with him in the said Vessel from this Port of Madrass to the Island Mauritius, having touched no where else in our Passage thither. As soon as we had Anchored a Shot was fired at us from the shore, Whereupon a boat came on board us from a French ship then likewise in the Harbour with the Second Captain of the said French ship who desired our Captain to go ashore with him, but he went away again by himself & our Captain followed him soon after in his own Boat When he did not stay long before he return'd back to the Brigantine. Captain Widdrington went ashore the next day also, & sent the Longboat in which he put the Gunner & myself, for water, & when we reached the shore we met his orders to receive two soldiers in the Boat as a Guard against their carrying Goods in her ashore. And these soldiers continued constantly in the Boat during the space of four days while we compleated our watering, for I went in her every trip she made, the evening before the last day, there happen'd a very violent squall of Wind so that we could not put the Boat off shore till late, & when we reach'd the Vessel I found several soldiers on board her, Early the next morning Captain Widdrington & Mr. Liebaut our chief Mate went ashore & when they came on board our Brigantine again our Captain sent all these soldiers before mention'd away in our own Boat on board the aforesaid French ship, & immediately weigh'd Anchor, but we had not been long under way before the said French ship Fired a shot at us, upon which Captain Widdrington asked the aforesaid Mr. Liebaut the meaning of it, who answered he did not know, but advised our Captain to come to an Anchor. Captain Widdrington told him he had nothing to do with the French ship, That he had Compleated all his Business, & why should he loose time for them, but the said Liebaut

pressed him to come to an Anchor again, representing our Vessel to be without any Force & that the said French ship had a great many Guns & men, whereupon we did then drop Anchor and Captain Widdrington sent me in our Boat on board the said French ship to know the reason of their firing that Gun, When I came on board they said nothing to me but kept me & the Boat's crew under a watch & would not suffer us to go back into the Boat although at the same time our Vessel had a Whiff out as a signal for our Return; We got aboard this French ship about noon, the French Captain went to sleep after Dinner & did not come out till about three a Clock when we begg'd that he would permit us to go back again to our own vessel, but he would still return us no answer and so kept us till the Evening, & then order'd me to tell the Captain (Captain Widdrington) not to weigh his Anchor again till he, the Captain of the said French ship, had weighed his also, then both vessels weighed together & the said French ship came up along side of us and spoke to us, and after that sent their Boat aboard us with their Second Captain, a Mate & four soldiers who stayed aboard us from that hour till we arriv'd at Mascarine, the said French ship kept us company all this while & got into the Bay there first, for before we came to an Anchor there came a Boat from the shore with soldiers who stay'd on board us, & Captain Widdrington went ashore. The next day two Gentlemen from the shore came off & order'd the Cargoe ashore, At night they return'd ashore again after sealing the Hatches, & came off early the next Morning to us again, but the Fort making the signal of the approach of the Hurricane by a whiff in the Flagg & firing a gun, they went back ashore, & both the aforesaid French ship & our Brigantine put out to Sea immediately, where for two days & two nights they met with a most violent storm. Monsieur Billey carried the chief command aboard our Brigantine and brought [her] to Mauritius, when we came there they unrigged the vessel & the Second of Mauritius came on board & took an account of all that was on board, but without opening any Bales, upon all which they put a Chop. They open'd all the Lascars' Chests and examined them, and then put them down the Hold altogether. We stayed there about a Month & a half and then return'd to Mascarine in the Vessel where she was quite unloaded, And we took in stores for Ballast. I further Declare that I bought out of the French Company's Magazine at Mascarine five bottles of Arrack at the rate of one Dollar per each bottle, & three Smoking pipes at the rate of half a dollar each.

the mark of + NICHOLO PASQUAL.

This is to certifie that Nicolo Pasqual the person who has made his usual mark hereto being a Portuguese of the Romish Religion was sworn in a solemn manner by a Priest of the Capuchin order, & did declare upon Oath that every part of what is herein written is the Truth, & has signed to two affidavits of the same tenour before me in Fort St. George this 27th day of July 1728.

RANDALL FOWKE.

MEM^{D}.

The charge of maintaining the Bengal Soldiers who were brought ashore here sick is particularized in the Extraordinary Expence of the Pay Master's Account Enter'd page 192.

1728 Aug. 31. Ship Mattersea Captain Joseph Badman arriv'd from Bussorah.

SEPT. 2. Ship Hydareebux belonging to the Patans arriv'd from Gauli.

" Ship Compton Capt^{n}. John Misenor sail'd for Bengal with the Hoñble John Deane Esq. in company with whom went

Ship Nancy, Captain John West, And

Ship Charles, Captain John Kelsal.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1728* —

[*Read the following before the Consultation dated 9th Sep^r., on page* 126.]

Ship Mahomud Rezau belonging to the Patans, Sail'd for Bengal. SEPT^R. 3.
Ship Buddersanhee, before the Margaret, Sail'd for Arracan. „ 5
George Brigantine arriv'd from Fort St. David with Bales. „ 6
Dispatch'd by Peons, General Letters to Vizagapatam & Ingeram, Tellicherry & Fort St. David. „ „
Receiv'd by Tappies a General Letter from Fort St. David. „ „
Ship Margaret, Captain Charles Grey, Sailed for Bengal, on whom Mr. Adams with his Family Embarked. „ 7
Brigantine Amity, John Widdrington, Master, Sailed for Bengal. „ „
Ship Mattersea, Captain Joseph Badman, Sailed for Bengal. „ 9
Ship Salamud belonging to the Malabar Coast sail'd for Calicutt. „ „

[*Read the following before the Consultation dated 16th Sep^r., on page* 131]

Ship Harrison, Captain Thomas Purnell, arriv'd from Bussora. SEPT^R. 10
Brig^t. Nelly, Abraham Roberts, Master, sail'd for Bengal. „ 11
Sloop Rama came in with Bales from Fort St. David. „ 12
Ship Frances, Captain John Lawson, arriv'd from England. „ „
Receiv'd by Tappies a General Letter from Fort St. David, dated 10th. „ „
Ship Walpole, Captain Charles Boddam, Sailed for Bengal. „ 13
Ship Deane, Captain James Nevil, Sail'd for Bengal. „ „
Ship George, Captain George Pitt, Sailed for Bengal & carried a General Letter dated 6th. & another of this date. „ 15
Ship Harrison, Captain Thomas Purnell, Sailed for Bengal. „ „
Sloop Rama return'd to Fort St. David. „ 16

[*Read the following after the Consultation dated 16th Sep^r., on page* 132.]

TO THE HOÑBLE JAMES MACRAE ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & GOVERN^R. OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^A. COUNCIL.

HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS,

Having taken care of eighteen soldiers on board the ship Frances from England to this place I humbly desire you will please to order me the Hoñble Company's Customary Allowance for the same.

I am

Hoñble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servant

FORT ST. GEORGE
SEPTEMBER 19TH 1728.

JOHN DICKSON,
Surgeon of the Ship Frances.

Ship Bon Voyage, belonging to the Armenians, Sailed for Pegue. SEPT^R. 18
Brig^t. Anne, William Plumber, Master, Sailed to the Eastward. „ 19
Receiv'd by Peons a Letter from Vizagapatam dated 24th & one 27th Instant accompanying another from Bengal dated 31 July. „ „
Receiv'd by Tappys a General Letter from Fort St. David. „ 20
Ship Frances, Captain John Lawson, Sail'd for Bengal, and carried a General Letter dated the 19th. „ 21
Dispatch'd a General Letter to Fort St. David. „ „

[*Read the following before the Consultation dated 28th Sep^r., on page* 135]

Dispatch'd by Peons General Letter to Bengal & Vizagapatam. SEPT^R. 24
Sloop Ramah came in with Bales from Fort St. David. „ 25
Dispatch'd by Peons a General Letter to Anjengo. „ „
Ship Marlbrough, Captain William Montgomery, arriv'd from Fort Marlbrough, and brought a Packet from thence. „ 27

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER—OCTOBER 1728* ——

[*Read the following before the Consultation dated* 1*st Oct*r., *on page* 140.]

SEPTR. 28. Dispatch'd by Peons General Letters to Vizagapatam & Bengal.
„ 29. Sloop Ramah return'd to Fort St. David.
„ 30. Ship Hydarebux belonging to the Patans, Sailed for Bengal.
„ „ Receiv'd by Tappies a General Letter from Fort St. David.

[*Read the following before the Consultation dated* 14*th Oct*r., *on page* 143.]

STORES WANTING IN THE GEORGE BRIGANTINE.

FOR THE GUNS
2 Barrels of powder
100 Shot 50 for Guns 12 lb & 50 for Guns 7 cwt.
2 Ladles, 2 Hammers & 2 worms
16 small Blocks & Thimbles, Hooks
1 Quoil 2 Inch Rope for Takles
2 Powder Horns, belts, & Priming Irons
2 pieces Dongree for Cartridges
10 Quire Musket Cartridge Paper

FOR THE SAILS
1 Bolt of Europe Duck
40 yards Vetroy
6 Pieces Dungaree
10 lb of Twine
12 Sail Needles
6 Bolt Rope Dº.

FOR LIGHTS.
30 Maunds Candles
20 Gallons Lamp Oil.

CARPENTERS & CAULKERS STORES
10 Gallons Oyl for Dammar
half a Candy Dammar
1 Back Pump Leather
1 lb Dº. Tacks
6 lb twenty penny & 10 penny Nails
1 Pc. Timber 18 foot long & 8 inch square for a David
6 Handspiles for the Winlace
6 Dº. for the boat

SYRANG'S STORES
2 Deep Sea Lines
2 Hand Lines
6 Log Lines
12 Seains Marline
12 Dº. Housing
1 Barrel Tarr
6 Buckets
2 small Boys
1 Suit of Colours
4 Blocks for Main & Fore Sheets
1 Quoil 4 Inches for Dº. Jeers
2 Maunds of Tallow

STORES OLD & BROKEN TO BE CHANGED OR MENDED.

4 Iron Crows
2 Fish Gigs
2 halfwatch Glasses
4 half hour dº.
3 half Minute dº.
2 brass box compasses
1 Wood dº.
3 Wood Lanthorns
2 Tinn dº.
2 Iron bolts for main chain plates
10 small carriages for Guns 1 cwt. 2 qr.
some small Arms

FORT ST. GEORGE
SEPTEMBER 23D. 1728. JOHN PYE.

OCT. 9. Ship Rochester, Captain John Tye arriv'd from Bengal.
„ „ Receiv'd by Tappies a General Letter from Fort St. David.
„ „ Sloop Ramah came in from Fort St. David.
„ 10 Dispatch'd by Peons a General Letter to Anjengo.
„ 11 Receiv'd by Tappies a General Letter from Fort St. David.
„ 12 Brigt. George sail'd with a freight for Surat & carried Letters to Anjengo, Tellicherry & Bombay.
„ 13 Sloop Rama return'd to Fort St. David.
„ „ Receiv'd by Peons Letters from Bengal & Anjengo.

[*Read the following before the Consultation dated* 21*st Oct*r., *on page* 147.]

OCTOBER 15 Dispatch'd by Tappies a General Letter to Fort St. David.
„ 16 Ship Marlbrough, Captain William Montgomery, Sail'd for Fort Marlbrough & carried a Packet to the Deputy Governour and Council there.
„ 18 Ship Rochester, Captain John Tye, Sail'd for the Eastward.
„ „ Receiv'd by Peons a General Letter from Ingeram.
„ 21 Receiv'd by Tappies a General Letter from Fort St. David.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 1728*——

[*Read the following before the Consultation dated* 18*th Nov*^{r}., *on page* 156.]

Receiv'd by Peons a General Letter from Fort St. David. NOVEMBER 8

[*Read the following after the Consultation dated* 18*th Nov*^{r}., *on page* 159.]

Receiv'd by Tappies a General Letter from Fort St. David. NOVEMBER 25

[*Read the following after the Consultation dated* 25*th Nov*^{r}., *on page* 159.]

Dispatch'd by Tappies a General Letter to Fort St. David. NOVEMBER 26

Receiv'd by Peons General Letters from Vizagapatam and Ingeram. „ 27

[*Read the following before the Consultation dated* 10*th Dec*^{r}., *on page* 161]

Receiv'd by Tappies a General Letter from Fort St. David. DECEMBER 8

[*Read the following after the Consultation dated* 10*th Dec*^{r}., *on page* 162.]

Dispatch'd by Tappies a General Letter to Fort St. David. DECEMBER 10

Secretary wrote a Letter to Captain Balchen lying at Covelon to deliver the Packet to the Bearers. „ „

Also a Letter to the Ostend Chief at Covelon on that occasion. „ „

Receiv'd by Peons & Cooleys overland, the said Packet which the James & Mary brought from the West Coast. „ 16

[*Read the following after the Consultation dated 10th Decr.*]

SUNCA RAMAH AND TOMBY CHITTEE.

DR.

1728					
Novr. 30	To Custome 5 per cent on Goods brought in as per Land Customer's Account	Pags.	445	7	60
	To Moortee & Washers for washing the Cloth which is turned out ..		24	12	28
	To Balance ..		5766	10	20
		Pagodas	6235	30	28

CR.

1728
Novr. 30 By Sundry Goods received of them this Month

Longcloth Ordinary Wte. 72 covs. long & 2¼ Broad

No.	Bales.	Corge	ps.						
1.	12 qt.	18		@	Pags. 31. 18	per corge ..	P. 567	—	—
2.	20	30		@	30. 9	per do. ..	907	18	—
3.	23	24.	10	@	29.	per do. ..	1000	18	—
	55	82.	10						

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Longcloth Nagore wte. 72 Covs. long & 2¼ br'd

1.	2 qt.	3.	—	@	Pags. 34	per Corge ..	102	—	—
2.	2	3.	—	at	32 27	per do. ..	98	9	—
	4	6							

200 9 —

Longcloth Midling white 72 long & 2¼ broad

2.	3 qt.	4.	10	@	Pags. 36	per Corge ..	..		

162 — —

Longcloth Fine white 72 covs. long & 2¼ broad

2.	2 qt.	4.	—	@	Pags. 55	per Corge ..	220	—	—
3.	4	8.	—	@	50	per do. ..	400	—	—
	6	12.							

620 — —

Sallampores Ordinary wte. 32 Covs. long & 2⅛ broad

1.	3 qt.	12.	—	@	Pags. 14. 18	per Corge ..	P. 174	—	—
2.	10	42	—		13. 18	per do. ..	540	—	—
3.	17	68			12. 18	per do. ..	850	—	—
	30	120							

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Sallampores Midling wte. 32 covs. long & 2⅛ broad

2.	1 qt.	4.	—	@	Pags. 16. 10	per Corge ..	P. 65	4	—
3.	1	4.	—		15. 2	per do. ..	60	8	—
	2	8.	—						

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[Brought over] ..	Pagodas 6235 30 28	Sallampores Fine w^le^. 32 long & 2⅛ broad cov^s^.						
		2. 2 q^t^. 10. — @ Pag^s^. 27 per Corge ..	P. 270	—	—			
		3. 4 20. — @ 25 per do. ..	500	—	—			
		6. 30. —				770	—	—
		Moorees Ordinary 10 yds. long & from yd. inch. yd. In^s^.						
		1. 6½ broad to 1 8						
		2. 1 q^t^. 8. — at Pag^s^. 17. 18 per Corge				140	—	—
		Musters 8 per a.				12	13	8
		By Custom 2¾ per C^t^. on 107 Bales Amounting to Pagodas 6068 34 8				166	32	20
			Pagodas ..			6235	30	28

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